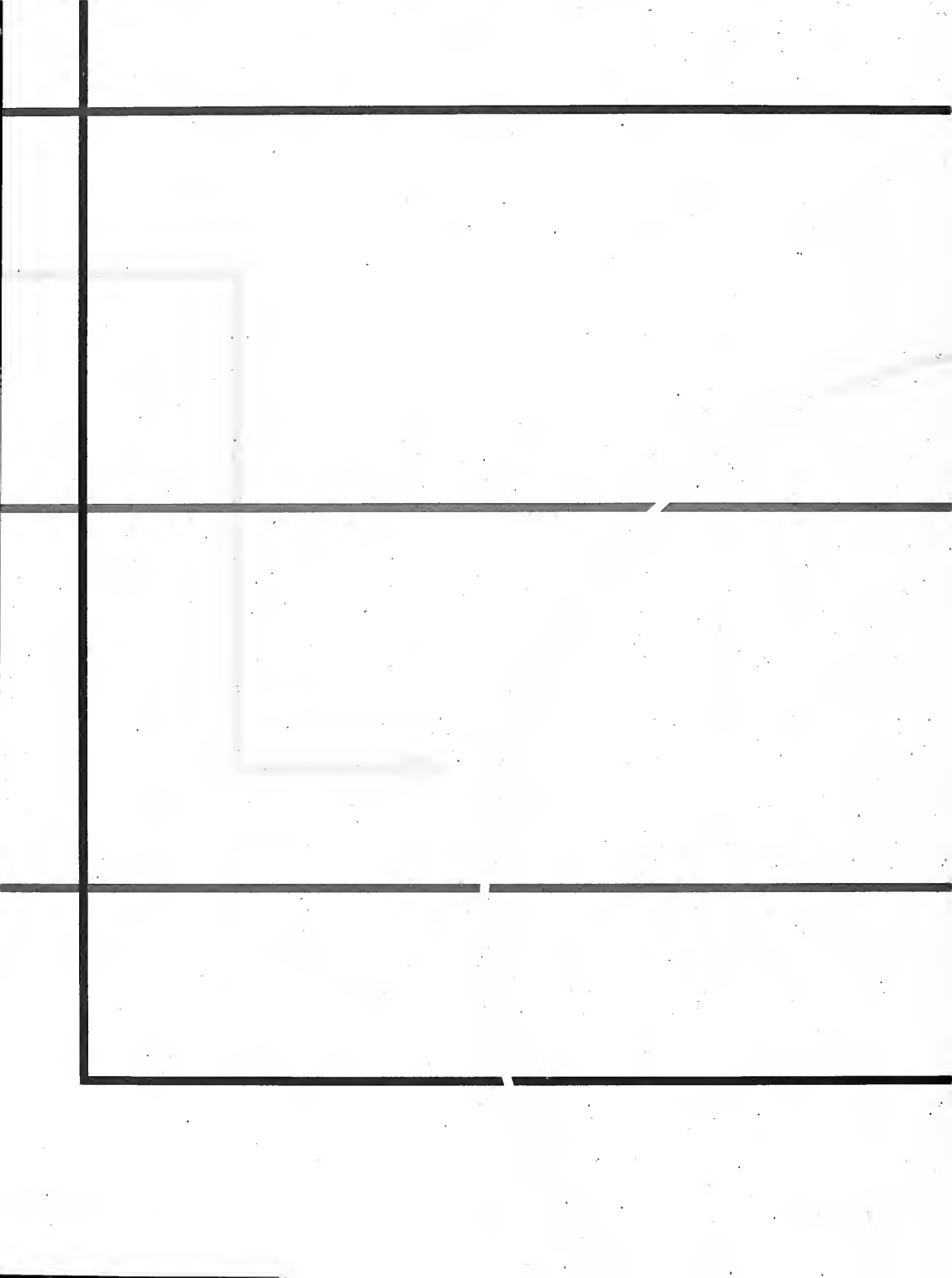


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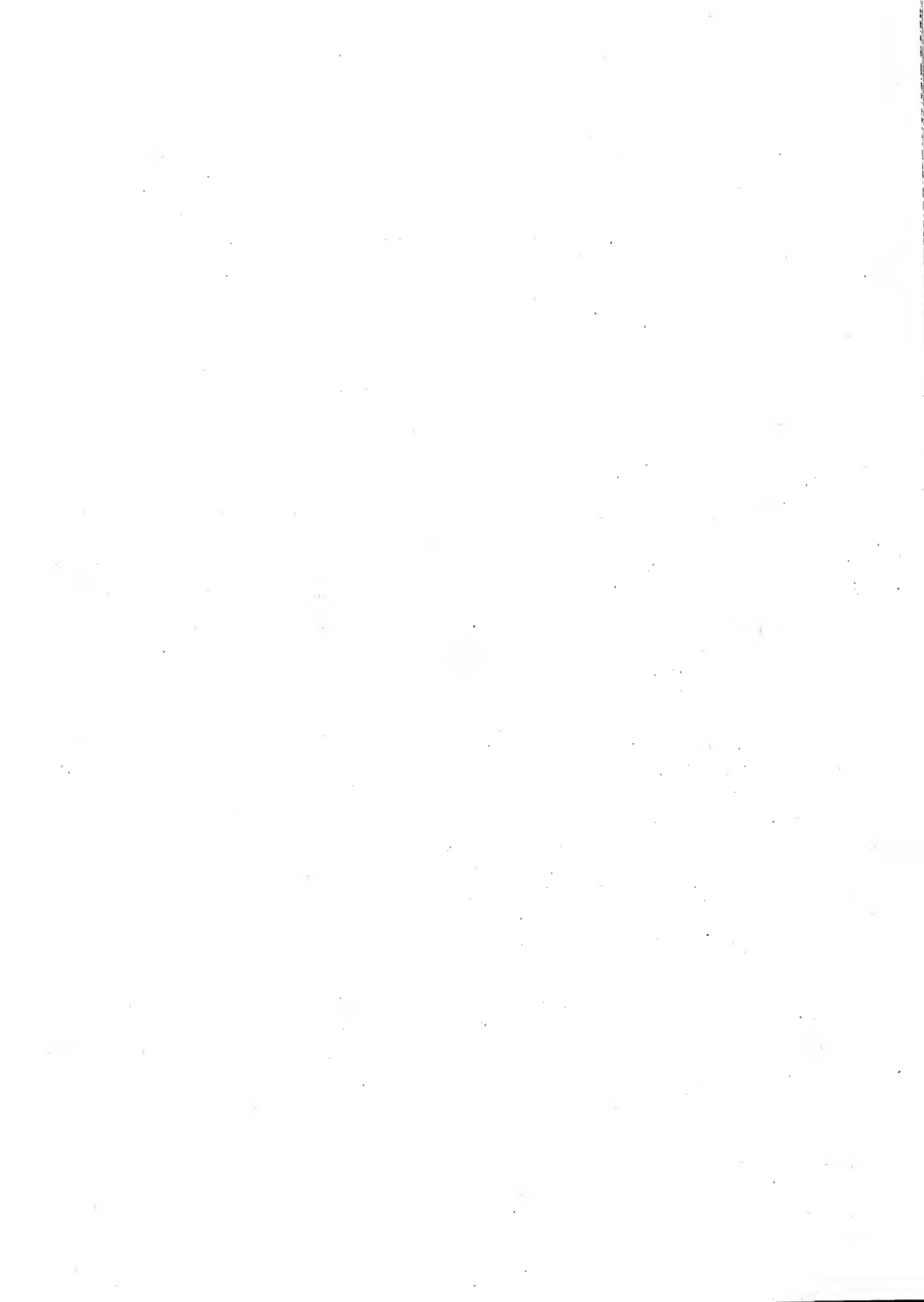
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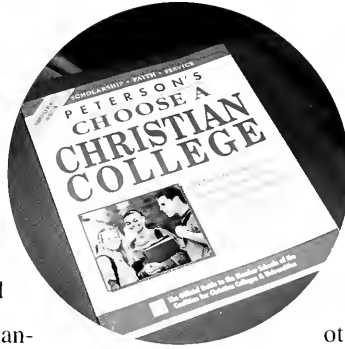


▶ *the end result*

# The end Result

We wait and wonder and plan for the end result. For some, there are three years between now and the end result, for some only another semester, and for a few only a few short months until the end result is actually here. Will I be successful? Will I get the job I really want or will I be a garbage man with a college degree? And most importantly.... WILL I GET MARRIED?? Some people already have these questions answered, but most are still biting nails waiting.

What we do in these next few crucial years will help determine the end result. What we do at Union, impressions we make on people off campus, the people we choose to hang around, how we handle situations, and who we are when the world isn't watching all determine our end result. Union helps us



learn how to have a better end result. We learn the value of choice with gentle guidance, the value of each other, and the importance of prayer and faith in God and each other. We learn how to see things through the eyes of Christ and how to be more like Him.

The education we receive here is based on the most important factor of life... Jesus Christ. We never realize what we have until we look at someone who has received little or no guidance from their administration, and whose teachers never prayed for them or prayed with them.

Just remember the friends, the teachers, and administration you met and the God who loves you. If God be for you, who can be against you? Good Luck!

By: Julie Ann Griggs





# JUMP START



← **Wow! College!**  
How did I ever get here??  
Where did the time go?  
Only God knows the answer to those questions. All through elementary, junior high and high school I had my life planned out.... that is until my senior year. I had no clue where I should go to college.

I knew my major, music, but not the school to attend. So, I went to my Youth Music Minister, who is a Union Alumni, and he “preached” Union. I rolled my eyes at a lot of what he had to say, but my dad made me go to Campus Day the very next day. I prayed that my attitude would not be bias in any way and that He would just show me where He wanted me. I almost immediately

fell in love with Union. That night I got my application and filled it out right in front of Union Station.

After I got accepted, I was confronted with the money issue. I had no idea where the money for tuition would come from! So once again I found myself on my knees to God pleading with Him to grant me the money for tuition.

Finally, a few months before I graduated from high school, everything was prepared and set. I knew that as a result of prayer Union is the place God needs me to be. So, here I go, setting off on another journey.... one of the biggest of my life. See ya in the end!

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By: Julie Ann Griggs



EVENTS



Winter, Spring, Summer or Fall, shocking **EVENTS** happen world wide. As each season runs into the next, events **TAKE** place both on and off campus.

The Clinton Grand Jury investigation, peace agreements in **THE** Middle East and the Yankees victory in the World Series will all be remembered for years to come.

Campus happenings, although not world renown, but just as memorable in **TIME** include everything from Lady Margaret Thatcher's visit, Smalltown Poets, and Campus Day **TO** Homecoming and the Variety **SHOW**.

In **THE** rush of daily life, we sometimes forget to stop, look around and appreciate the significance of these events. Someone once said, "I asked God for all things that I may enjoy life but God gave us life that we may enjoy all things." If we take time to reflect, we see that we live in a time of great **EXCITEMENT**.

A glimpse at events, trends and issues **OF** the late 1990s tells you it's a time and a **LIFE** like never before and never again.

A group of  
Campus Day

of the  
picture.



This group of Lambda Chi's showed their spirit before taking first in the Greek Olympics.



A lot of time and preparation went into Campus Day as KDs **Meredith Hardin** and **Melissa Baldwin** demonstrated.





ΑΤΩ's proudly waved their flag that declared "ΑΤΩ4-Life."



Photos by Mandy Boggs



These Zetas cheered as their sisters participated in one of the relays.

# CAMPUS DAY 1998

On a warm day near the beginning of October, the campus of Union was filled with students, some currently enrolled and others prospectively checking out the school. Tables, signs, and banners lined the halls, inviting the people to look into various clubs and organizations.

Outside, red and white balloons pointed the way to Union, promising a unique experience of college life and excitement. In the field behind the school, sororities and fraternities prepared for their traditional battle in the Greek Olympics. Shouts and cheers could be heard echoing over the campus as the games began.

When the games were over, students gathered in the Grove to make their dinner selection from the many choices at the food carnival. They talked about the day and made plans to join the line waiting to get in to see *A Cross Between* perform.

The day, though tiring, was a great success, and Union proved, once again that it truly is a great place to be.

# Union University Theaters

Performer **Tom Key** portrayed the life of C.S. Lewis in "C.S. Lewis On Stage."



Photo from Dr. Williams

On November 3, 1998, Union presented "C.S. Lewis On Stage," a one-person play performed by Tom Key. The performance included eight works of C.S. Lewis combined to form a dramatic, yet witty, autobiographic look into life of one of history's most charismatic personalities. Key is quoted as stating, "I felt that his personality and presence, captured in a performance of, essentially, all his own words would compel the interest of a theater audience." And so it does. The play was part of a celebration of C.S. Lewis that was an interesting addition to Union's line up of fall presentations.

## *Don't Drink the Water*

By: Woody Allen

Directed by Wayne Johnson

Starring:

Walter Hollander	Ben Wilkenson
Marion Hollander	Jennifer Shearon
Susan Hollander	Erica Hosmer
Axel McGee	Blake Staples
Father Drobney	Adam Hasty
Chef	Jeremy Bishop
Sultan	James Nolen
Sultan's Wife	Alison Martin
Kasnar	Brian Mooney
Kilroy	Mary Catherine Bond
Burns	Debra Parnell
Kojack	Peter Hawkins
Ambassador McGee	Jon Crook
Countess	Jill Hutchinson
Party Guest	Christy Thomas

Crew:

Abby Thomas, David Phillips, Reagan Craig, Ryan Shunneman, Leah Young, Allison Baker, Evelyn Keele, David Burke, and cast members



Christy Thomas

Ben Wilkenson rehearsed his lines for *Don't Drink the Water* backstage.



Photos from Dr. Wayne Johnson

On December 8, the theater department in connection with the music department staged *Christmas Is...*

...a time  
 ...a star  
 ...a gift

## Jack and the Beanstalk

By Reginald F. Bain

Directed By David Burke

Starring:

Boffo	Graham Hilliard
Mustard	Hugh Crawford
Trinket	Cara Danner
Ruffina	Amber Jewell
Musculo	Jonathan Hickey
Doxy	Leia Henrie
Moxy	Leah Young
Scrappy	Andrew Holladay

Crew:

Stage Manager	Brandy Langley
Sound	Ben Wilkinson
Lights	James Nolen



Christy Thomas

Freshman **Christy Thomas** applied make-up in *Don't Drink the Water*.

# Theater at Union

By: Mary Mount

1998 was the second year for Union to produce four theatrical productions. The opening performance was *Don't Drink the Water*, a present day comedy by Woody Allen. It was followed by *A Clown's Play: Jack and the Beanstalk*, the annual children's play; and the spring plays were *Scapin*, a period piece and an Italian *commedia del arte*, and *1984* by George Orwell to round out the season.

All four performances were quality entertainment, and they were all expected to have high attendance, if not sell-out as community response continued to grow. As always, Union's theater department tried to offer another avenue for the public to come to the campus to build a new audience. "Theater is one art form that give audiences and performers input into life," Wayne Johnson said.

The children's play, *Jack and the Beanstalk*, was one of the most beneficial shows of the season. It offered young children a taste of theater, live entertainment, culture, and university life. It serves as a wonderful recruiting tool, and such an experience might even influence a child to attend college later on in life. Although putting on a play for young children is a tough process, Mr. David Burke, director of the play, believes that "...It's always worthwhile after it's over."

The fall of 1998 brought in an influx of considerable talent within the freshman class. Mr. Burke and Mr. Johnson, co-directors of the theater both desire to provide good theater and education to the public and the students who are committed to the rehearsals and performances. Under their direction, the department will continue to be a success and source of pride to all of Union University.

# The Iron Lady

By: Mary Mount

Tuesday, October 20, 1998 was a day that shall linger in Union University history forever. On that day, **Lady Margaret Thatcher**, former Prime Minister of Great Britain, arrived in Jackson to speak at the 1998 Union University Scholarship Banquet, which raised approximately \$210,000 to promote the enrichment of academics and student life at the university. This visit would probably be one of her last official world tours.

The program, held at the Jackson Civic Center, began at 7 P.M., and Lady Thatcher's speech followed a video presentation of the 21st century plans for Union. The topic of her speech was "Challenges Facing the 21st Century."

Entertainment for the evening was provided in the lobby prior to the banquet by the music department of Union University. A bust of Lady Thatcher was created by Union's own **Genie Henley**, an art major, and it was displayed prominently during the banquet.

Lady Thatcher discussed her role in global policy and detailed how everyone must prepare for the demands the 21st Century. It was a great honor for Union to be graced by her presence, and thanks to her willingness to come and the banquet sponsors' donations, Union got a significant boost toward reaching its goals of becoming a leader in higher education.

The support of banquets and speakers such as these is of great importance to Union's future. Without Lady Thatcher and all of the sponsors of this important event, Union life as we know it and all its future plans would cease. This was a wonderful experience for all who attended, and many students, as well as faculty and members of the West Tennessee community, were present and found it to be a most memorable experience.

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“States, economies, governments which allow the distinctive talents of individuals to flourish, also flourish,” **Lady Thatcher** said concerning democratic government.

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Right: Senior art major **Genie Henley** poses with the bust she sculpted of **Lady Margaret Thatcher**

Former Prime Minister **Lady Margaret Thatcher** emphasized the coming demands of the 21st Century during her speech at Union's Scholarship Banquet.



# Parent's Weekend

## Quality Time at Union

By: Mary Mount

The second annual parent's weekend was held November 13-14, 1998. It was a chance for parents who might not get to see their children very often to visit them and experience life at Union. They had the opportunity to attend a chapel service Friday morning, to visit their children's classes, to participate in a question and answer session with a panel of Union faculty members, and to see in general what life is like on the Union campus in the middle of a semester instead of when everyone is either moving in or out of the dorms.

The weekend was very successful, and students, as well as their parents, could enjoy the quality time with their families. In addition to the other activities mentioned before, a coffee

**Rebecca Hill's** mother came all the way from Michigan to spend time with her daughter. They are pictured here eating dinner in the cafeteria.



house was hosted by SAC on Saturday night, so even those students who did not have visitors could participate in the weekend by relaxing and enjoying the music.

**Monica Walters** and her parents spend quality time together playing pool during Parent's Weekend.



Contemporary Christian singer **Paul Q-Pek** provided the music at the coffee house. He is pictured here with **Andy Lyons** and **Wendy Nolen**.

# Mock Crash

## 1998

*A Lesson Learned*

By: Mary Mount

On October 2, 1998, Union hosted a mock car crash. Since October is Alcohol Awareness month, the crash served to warn students of the dangers of drinking and driving.

Real emergency personnel were present, and they treated the accident as if it were an actual life or death situation. The scene was complete with a helicopter to airlift the "victims," and, also, the police and the rescue squad (all the people who would work in a real emergency). The crew had to leave early to help in a real accident on the bypass.

This was a very important and informative demonstration.

Emergency personnel wheeled the accident "victim" away from the scene on a stretcher.



If one person's life was saved due to this program, or if one person present was convicted to refrain from driving while under the influence of alcohol, the "crash" could be considered one of the most successful programs of the year because of its life-changing effect.



During the mock crash, this "victim" demonstrated the effects of drinking and driving.



Emergency crews worked to rescue passengers trapped in the vehicle after the "wreck." This was a very dramatic representation of what a real accident involving alcohol would be like.



# Freshman Experience

By: Mary Mount

Freshman Orientation was a very busy time for students. It was exciting for the freshmen to meet their new roommates, friends, and other students majoring in their field. The week was packed with events for the newcomers to give them a taste of life at Union University. Every morning there were sessions to orientate students to Union, and the afternoons were filled with picnics, sporting events, and activities to help get used to school. Evenings were also busy with movie night, "Let's Make a Deal," and the Get Acquainted Party.

There were also chances to discover the different on-campus organizations and to find out what Union has to offer besides academics.

**Matt Thompson and Patrick Feathers** chilled during the SAC game show in the chapel.



**Alicia Toy** paused for a moment during Freshman Orientation. The freshman days were busy, and there was rarely a moment that something was not happening on campus.



These guys patiently waited to hear if their numbers would be called to go on stage for "Let's Make a Deal."



**Graham Hilliard** celebrates his "Let's Make a Deal" victory as SAC member and game show announcer **Andy Lyon**, apologizes to the unfortunate loser of the round.

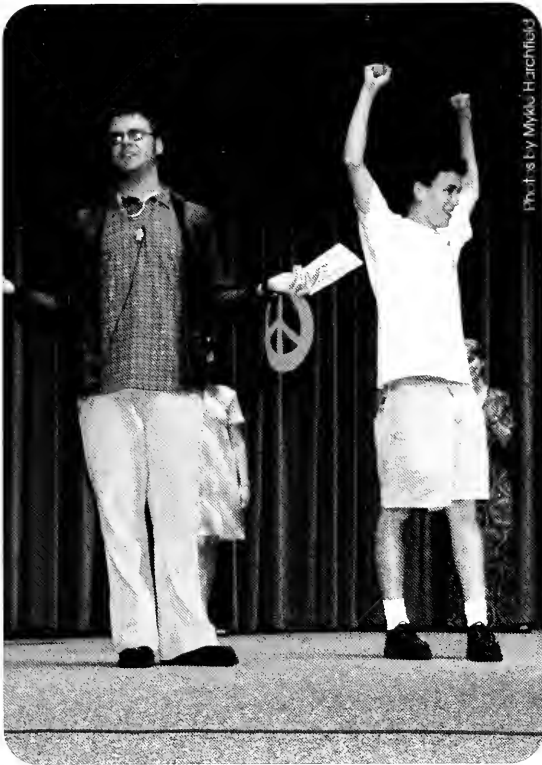


Photo by Mykku Harchnicki

**Autumn Alcott** and **Sarah Jane Head** were among many freshmen that filled the chapel for "Let's Make a Deal." This was one of the most exciting events of the busy week, and was a welcome diversion before the routine of classes began.



These freshmen came up on stage during "Let's Make a Deal" to see which of them came from the farthest distance to attend Union. This year's class has students from Germany, Kenya and many other places that seem foreign to many Unionites. Besides being the largest freshman class in school history, it is the most varied in geographic location.

# Graduation

## Fall 1998

By: Mary Mount

On December 19, 1998, Union University graduated 88 students in the G.M. Savage Memorial Chapel. Addressing the graduates was **Dr. Larry McSwain**, president of Shorter College in Rome, Georgia.

As always, graduation was a time of letting go of the past and embracing the future. Eighty-eight students left Union University behind and set out to new lives outside the university walls. It was a time to tell old friends good-bye, to put away textbooks and pages of class notes, and to look forward to the future with a smile. The chapel was filled with mixed emotions as the graduates reminisced on fond

memories of their time at Union, and worried about lay ahead. The excitement of graduating, however, was the prevalent emotion of the day.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord; "plans to prosper you and not harm you; to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:11



Proclamation performed as part of the fall graduation program.

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Dr. Mike Didwit, Vice President of Union, delivers his opening remarks to the December 1998 graduates.

A marshal carrying one of the Union University banners is lined up before graduation exercises begin.

“Look out,  
world, here come  
the 1998 gradu-  
ates of Union  
University!”



Glenda Jewell, a member of the December graduating class, smiles with a class member as they wait for the processional to begin.

# 1999

## Winter Term

By: Mary Mount



One team gets a pep talk before playing a dodge ball game.

Union's Winter Term is a unique opportunity for students to complete classes in one month instead of an entire semester. Many students take advantage of this time to retake classes that they need to bring up their G.P.A. Others take winter term so they can graduate on time or to get harder classes out of the way in a short amount of time.



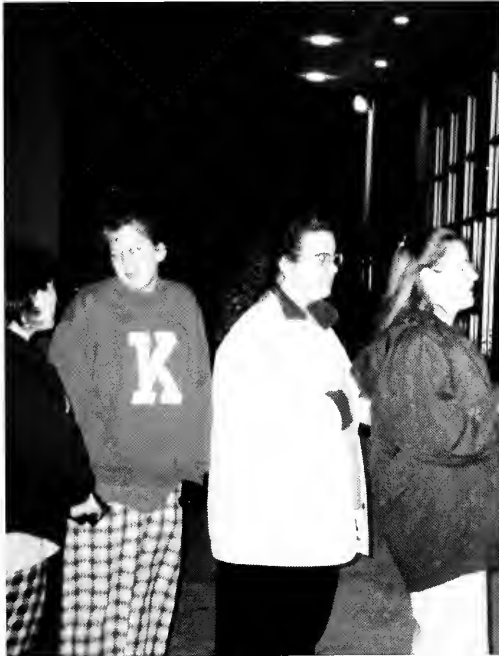
Students generally take 3-6 hours, and since the campus is less populated than during regular terms, they have more uninterrupted study time.

Players congratulated one another after the dodge ball tournament.



**John Whiteside**, a junior, pays for his ticket at SAC movie night during winter term

# Hanging Out during Jan. Term



More students bought tickets for SAC movie night. This was one of the more popular activities during Winter Term.



"One ticket, please."

# Let's Make A Deal...

By: Mary...

The SAC sponsored "Let's Make A Deal" was held on October 30, 1998. It was a fun break for students, and with Halloween approaching, it was an excellent chance to dress up and recapture some of those old childhood

memories.

The prizes ranged from gift certificates and tanning coupons to the grand prize of an entire computer system. All the contestants received a prize of some sort, and the show was exciting even for the audience members.



Shonda Weddle enjoyed being a part of the game.

These Life Groupers won the prize for best costume. They dressed up as a box of Crayons.



Freshmen Emily Kynerd, Kelly Mathis, and Tammy Meyer enjoyed getting dressed up for the SAC sponsored game show.



April Schroeder won the grand prize--a new computer system. She celebrated on stage afterward with some of her Kappa Delta sisters.

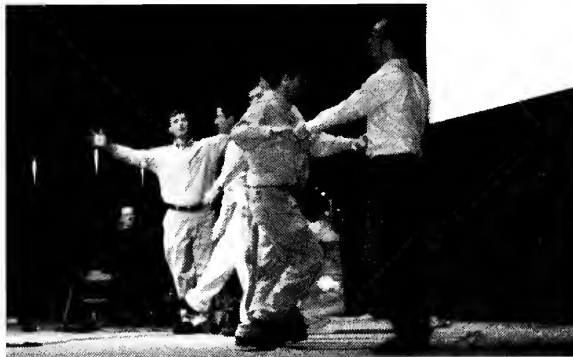
# SAC Variety Show 1999



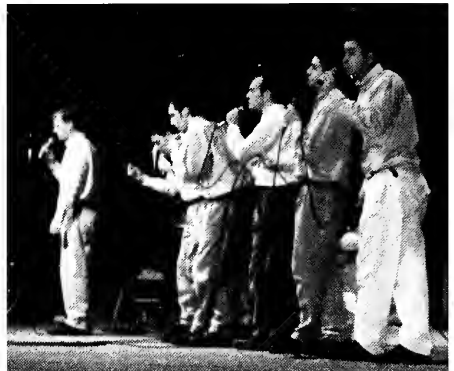
Members of "David Dockery and the Lounge Lizards Minus David Dockery"



Kappa Delta member **Christie Eavenson** was all smiles before Variety Show.



The Lambda Chi's seemed to enjoy their time on stage.



Lambda Chi Alpha performed several acapella numbers.



Kappa Delta performed selections from Singing in the Rain.

# Homecoming 1999

## *Homecoming Events*

Convocation

Founder's Day

Class Reunions

Intramural Relay

Games

Contests

Tailgate Party

Girls' Basketball game

Spirit Night

Alumni Activities

Variety Show

Yard Display Judging

Royalty

Boy's Basketball game

"Go Bulldogs!"

By: Mary Mount

Union University's Homecoming was the week of February 8th-13th. This year marked the 176th anniversary of the school. The week was celebrated by students, faculty, and alumni who took part in a variety of activities planned for the occasion. Clubs and organizations showed their school spirit by making signs and proclaiming "Go Dawgs!" throughout the hallways.

The culmination of the week came on Saturday night with the Homecoming basketball game. It was here that the winning groups were announced. However, the whole week was filled with excitement during games, receptions, class reunions, and Friday night's Variety Show.





Buster begs for attention during the boy's basketball game.



The Lady Bulldogs sink a basket.



The Lady Bulldogs worked hard for their Homecoming win.

# COMING SNAPS



The cheerleaders work hard to keep the crowd excited.



The Homecoming Court



Variety Show gave many people a chance to show off their talents.



Zeta's love Union!



Lambda Chi's participated in a game of "over-under."



Chi Omega girls show their Union spirit.

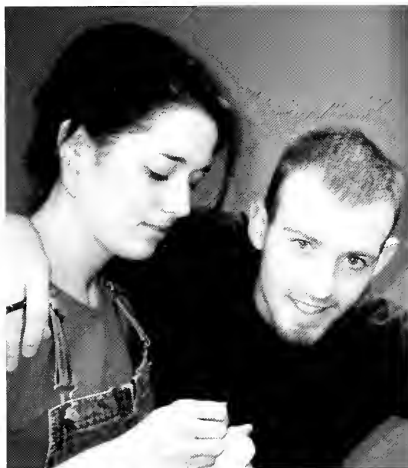
# Snaps Throughout the Year



Davie Moore helps with a game during the McAfee Complex cookout.



Union baseball players stand around waiting for practice to begin.



Say cheese!!



Smalltown Poets, a popular Christian band, came to Union during Freshman Orientation week



Photo by Natalie Bennett

Trick-or-Treat or "Let's Make a Deal"?



Photo by Natalie Bennett

These girls are just hanging around at the Backyard Bible Club.



Photo by Christy Thomas

Christy Thomas helped Mary Catherine Bond get ready for the big performance of *Don't Drink the Water*.



Photo by Christy Thomas

Other members of the cast relax back stage before the show.



*Students in  
Action: Out-  
side the  
Classroom*

With all smiling faces at Backyard Bible Club, you never know when you will make a new friend.



A hayride with the kids from the Bible club is definitely an afternoon well spent.



Did I win the grand prize? The excitement was building during the final round of "Let's Make a Deal."

# CANDID SNAPSHOTS



We've studied all day, can we please get out of class early today?



The cast of *Don't Drink the Water* takes a break backstage.



I can't believe I just had my picture taken for the yearbook!



Go, Independents!!!

# Union Students

## “LAUNCH” into Success

By: Mary Mount

The LAUNCH Program was a new addition to the Union educational community in 1998. LAUNCH stands for “Leadership for Adult Undergraduate CoHorts.” As a degree completion program, it helps to develop important skills and leadership that will be beneficial to job continuation and advancement in various fields. Launch gives adults an opportunity to return to school and earn a degree while maintaining the important balance between a fulltime job and family. When the program is completed, students will have earned a Bachelor of Science degree in organizational leadership.

The program features cohort projects that provide an excellent learning environment for the 49 students who enrolled in the 1998 session. It also helps the participants develop a course for advancement in their fields. It gives them advantages in their careers by providing essential skills and offering them a flexible opportunity to continue their education while holding a fulltime job.

In its first year LAUNCH proved to be a great success, and it promises to continue to grow every year.



Row 1: Jeri Hardin, Robyn Appleton, Janice Shipman, Laurie Piepho, Jennifer Marcus, Dana Welch, Pam Walker, Dixie Willoughby, Brett Hawley Row 2: Fran Spence, Amy Whitnel, Susan Egan, Pamela Aycock, Pat Carrington, Beth Cooper, Windy Richards, Marie Maxie, Patricia Lamieux, Amy Walton, Heather Pilcher, Linda Johnson Row 3: Danny Lowert, Michael N. Davis, Darrell Sandlin, Chris Pickens, Tracey Higdon, James Elam, Cathy Thurman, Suzanne McGuire, Shirley Baker, Suzanne Griggs, Kip Cole, Mike Scallion, and Donna Martin



# Campus Retreat

By: Mary Mount

What do a road trip, Pickwick Landing State Park, and about 85 college students have to do with God's ultimate purpose? They had everything to do with it during Union's Campus Retreat weekend. On November 6-8, 1998, Union students had a chance to get away from the cares of school and focus on growing in their relationship with God.

**Jeff Lewis**, a popular speaker and coordinator of Passion, was the guest speaker. His message dealt with how God's ultimate purpose is to be glorified among all nations. Students spent their time worshipping God through song, prayer, Bible study, and fellowship with other Christians.

"This was a weekend designed for students to get away and relax, with no structure," **Andy Pettigrew** said. The Union Praise team provided the music, and students enjoyed meeting new people and growing spiritually as they began "Discovering the Heart of God," the theme of the weekend.

**Melanie Barber** and **Cassie Paddock** really enjoyed their weekend and were excited about having their picture taken.



The Union Praise Band, better known as the chapel band, provided the music for the retreat.



Union students raised their voices in praise during one of the group sessions.



# Road Trip 1998



Steven Chipman, Tiffany Staggs, Jennifer Hardin, and Jill Garrett posed for this picture during Campus Retreat.



Becky Sams, Kristy Onesley, and Angela Brownley relaxed on the grass and enjoyed the beautiful fall scenery of Pickwick Landing.



This group of students proved that Campus Retreat isn't just about quiet time with God, it's also about meeting new people and spending time with old friends.



Debby Campbell, Al Dasilva, and Victoria Suarez were all smiles as they enjoyed their weekend.

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“The basics of Christianity were presented in a new way that really emphasized living a lifestyle for God’s glory.”

Andy Pettigrew

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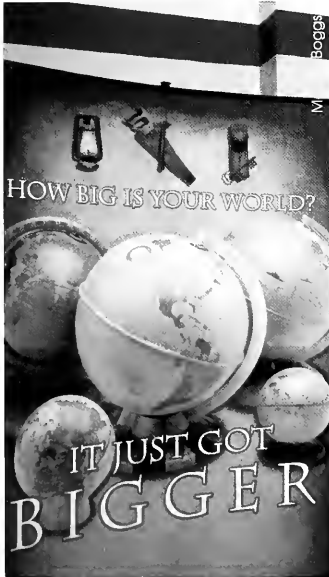
# Global Opportunities

By: Mary Mount

Global Opportunities week was held on Sept. 21-25, offering students a glimpse of what Campus Ministries and G.O. Trips include throughout the year.

The cafeteria became the focal point of the week as booths were set up by students and program representatives to encourage others to become involved in missions. Those opportunities included Revival Teams, Centrifuge, Disciple Now, Creative Arts Teams, Backyard Bible Clubs and much more. Summer missionaries from as far away as Guam, Costa Rica, and Azerbaijan (the week's spotlighted country) shared their experiences with other prospective team members.

The G.O. team to Costa Rica was an excellent learning experience. Through witnessing, team members learned the importance of sharing the gospel in all part of the world



This display from the North American Mission Board was one of the focal points of G.O. Week. It offered a variety of information on home missions opportunities.

To help support mission opportunities, "Lock-up '98" was held Monday through Wednesday of the week. During lunch hours, students and professors were "locked-up" in an attempt to raise enough money to post "bail." The \$5,000 raised will be used to support G.O. Trips for 1999.

**Lauren Tucker** of the 1998 Greenville team stated, "In Christ, all barriers are broken, and we can all worship freely."



This group was a part of Union's first "STAY" team. By remaining in Jackson, they learned the importance of local missions.

# 1999 G.O.

## Trips

Kansas City, MO

Dallas, TX

Jackson, TN

San Jose, Costa Rica

Chicago, IL

Detroit, MI

Honduras

Tel Aviv, Isreal



Micah Rochester and Brian Freeman took a break from missions while in Whiteriver, AZ to enjoy the view.



Hope Weaver hugged this little girl from her Backyard Bible Club in Toledo, OH. In the evening, the team lead worship at South Toledo Baptist.



The G.O. team for Greenville, South Carolina takes a moment to have their picture made with a Vietnamese couple they had an opportunity to witness to.



Backyard Bible Clubs are an important part of Union's ministry. This display in the cafeteria was part of the week's encouragement of home missions.

# Serving with a Smile

## Backyard Bible Clubs

By: Mary Mount

Backyard Bible Clubs are an important ministry of many Union students. They take part in these club, devoting several hours a week to spend time with children who might not have another Christian role model to look up to. They bring jump ropes, crayons, coloring books, balls, and other toys and play with the children for a while after they arrive. Then they come together as a group to sing and share Bible stories.

This is a very important contribution to the Jackson community. Without students who are willing to spend time with these precious children, many people might never hear God's word. Some of the children have never set foot in a church, and because of the dedication of the Bible club leaders, they have the opportunity to see and hear the gospel in a way they never would experience otherwise.



Hope Weaver teaches some of the children a song as they gather to begin their Bible study.

## What's the best part about Bible clubs?



“Being able to see the kids every week is a lot of fun and it’s a good ministry.”

**Beth Osborne**  
Freshman

“I love kids. It helps me be thankful for what I have.”

**Joey Marshall**  
Freshman



# Love in Action

*Sharing God's hope and love*

Bible Club leaders gave the children piggy back rides during their activity time.

Michael Smith, a member of Alpha Tau Omega, helped out with the Backyard Bible Club as a service project.



Brian Riddick made a new friend while helping with the after school Bible club.

The Backyard Bible Clubs took a hayride in October. It was a new experience for some of the children who had never played in hay before.



HOBBITS



There are so many aspects about **UNION** that are more than you would hope for, let alone expect. This section is called Tidbits because we are going to feature many of the things that make Union so special - the University's **PEOPLE**, classes, construction, wonderful chapel services, dorm life, special events. All of these aspects and more combine to make up the place many students call home for four, five, or more years. No matter who you **ARE**, 1998-1999 was a very exciting year for Union with the groundbreaking of the baseball field and new bookstore. As **ALWAYS** the year was **FULL** of exciting activities such as campus day, homecoming, fraternity and sorority rushes, parties, and so much more. One **OF** the first things an incoming freshman learns is that there is never a dull moment. Even midnight runs to Wal-Mart are exciting and fun. Union University may be small in size, but it is big in **LIFE**.

Part of their usual pastime, **Shilo Velasquez** and **Casey Cardi-Cambell** swing for fun.

**Ryan Schanemann** and **Erika Hosmer** spin around while enjoying their time spent swinging at the club in Memphis.



Slowing down to pose for a picture to capture the mood of fun, **Casey Cardi-Cambell**, **Lauren Urshalitz**, **Janelle Sou** and **Sarah Jane Head** smile happily.





# Just A Swingin'

Union students now have a new weekend pastime: Swing Dancing!

By **Stefanie Morris**

Swing Dancing of the Thirties has taken a new flare of interest in 1998. Memphis which has its own swing club has found numerous Union students filling the dance floor to hear the sweet swing music sounds. The club in Memphis is in the basement of Covenant Christian Church. The club has a live band called the New Memphis Hep Cats, that plays throughout the night keeping the adrenaline high.

This particular club devotes the first hour that it is open to teaching newcomers the steps. A dance teacher leads everyone through the basic swing steps and moves, so that they will have more comfort with getting out on the dance floor. The moves are easy to pick up and takes little practice to remember the steps, is the usual response from students. **Shilo Velasquez** who swings quite frequently says, "I started swinging this fall and I was able to quickly learn the moves, so that now I am teaching others." Shilo and others often hold dance lessons on campus to familiarize newcomers before they themselves go out Swing-ing.

New Comer to Swing Dancing is **Mandy Boggs** who says, "On Saturday nights people used to go to dinner or to a movie, but now they just swing, because swing dancing is the best. You can have so much fun, even when you don't know all of the steps."

"Swing Dancing is extremely easy to learn, and I always have a super mergantroyed time!" exclaims Shilo.



**Shilo Velasquez** helped newcomer **Mandy Boggs** learn some basic swing steps. Many Union students are found around campus practicing the moves of swing dancing before going to the clubs.

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Velasquez

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# The Days Of Our Lives

## What We “Squeeze” In

By Stefanie Morris

On campus Union students often find their busy class, work, and extracurricular activities schedules don't always leave enough free time for the “necessary” components of their lives. With so many places to be and things to do students often give up sleeping, eating, cleaning, and various other activities that seemed so natural in high school. Students hurry through the cafeteria line or grab a bite to go from the Lexington Inn before starting their homework or return-

ing to their apartments after a long day.

Rooms get cluttered with thrown clothing and scattered books. Apartments echo the leftovers of every roommate who leaves a Coke can here and half a sandwich there. But through all the hurried lives that students lead, most are content with their life-styles. After all, isn't college all about no sleep, the never-ending floor of mess, and food and classes on the run?



**Audrey Harris** made dinner in her McAfee apartment. Many upperclassmen decided to live in McAfee with the convenience of newer, kitchen apartments.

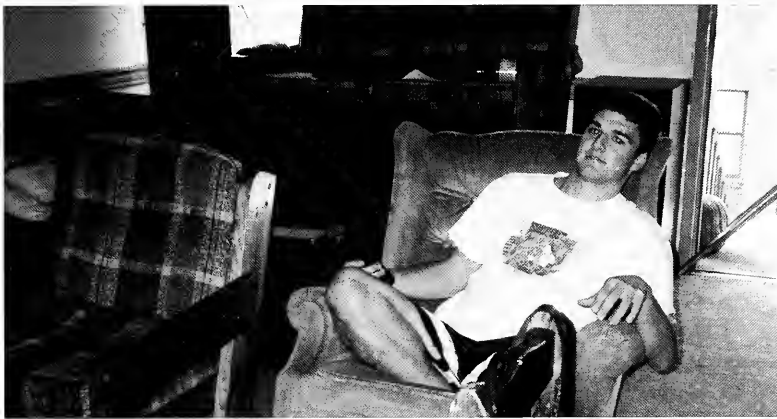


**Ben Wilkinson** contemplated ways to get everything done. Students often had trouble balancing their schedules towards the end of a semester.

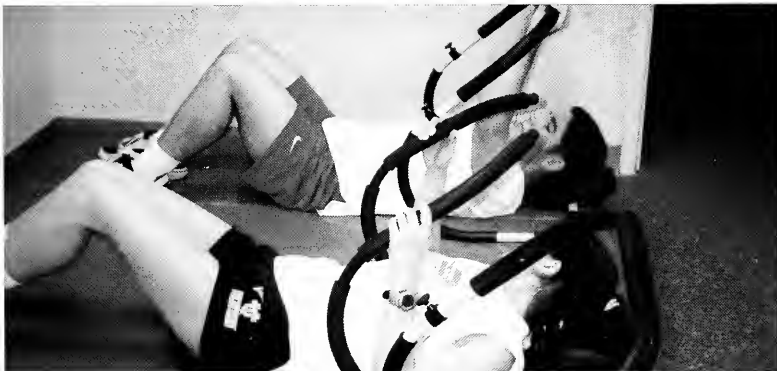
Resting between classes **Martha Koeline** and **Julie Bradfield** forgot their own schedules while they watched the lives of television stars. Students often found that resting and spending time with friends and roommates was a good way to gain encouragement, study, and just have fun.



Exactly how many pieces of furniture fill this apartment? **Chris League** watched some television from one of the added chairs of comfort in his apartment. On an average basis males are more likely to have additional furniture and more accessories ( television, stereos, entertainment systems, etc. ) in their apartments than do females.



In the Wellness Center, students **David Chism** and **Jennifer McClearn** worked on keeping their bodies in good health and shape. Students who regularly exercise have less stress than those who don't because exercise helps to relieve tension and stimulate the mind.



... we have known each other since high school. g back, I  
 ... was something special about him from the first  
 ... I was very shy at that time, and I don't think Aaron  
 ... that I existed, I got a little braver the summer before  
 ... and after a whole summer of hinting around, we  
 ... celebrating on Labor Day weekend of my Freshman year (his  
 ... sophomore year). We were a perfect match from the beginning,  
 and I think that somewhere deep down I always knew that there  
 was something special between us. We just had to wait on God's  
 timing. Aaron proposed to me two and a half years later, on April  
 11, 1998 during Union's spring break cruise to the Bahamas. He  
 had gotten the ring in the fall and told both our parents, but I had  
 no idea. He even told me that the cruise line had a new policy that  
 required chaperons for college groups, so that I  
 wouldn't get suspicious when our parents went  
 on the cruise. The day that the cruise docked at  
 Nassau I started getting a little suspicious, only  
 because our parents were acting so strange. We  
 walked around the Island of the Atlantis, the most  
 beautiful hotel you could ever imagine. That  
 night after dinner, he asked me if wanted to go  
 back over to the Atlantis to see the lights. We left  
 everyone else back at the ship and took a taxi to  
 the hotel. Aaron and I sat down to talk by a  
 fountain that was in a large glass walled room. It  
 was so beautiful and peaceful with the sound of  
 the waterfall and fish swimming all around us.  
 Then I started to here this music coming from the  
 underwater tunnel, and I looked up to see

**Aaron Grissom and  
Hillary Williams**



everyone else who went on the cruise, including our  
 parents, walking out of the tunnel singing and carrying a  
 candle and one white rose. They each handed me a rose  
 as they passed by. I was so shocked that I couldn't  
 speak. Aaron's dad snuck up behind me and handed  
 Aaron a dozen red roses and my mom handed me a huge  
 bouquet of wild flowers. By the time Aaron got down on  
 his knee, I had so many flowers that I could barely hold  
 them all. When Aaron asked me to be his bride, I don't  
 think that I even said yes. I just jumped up and kissed  
 him in front of everyone. It was the most magical moment  
 of my life.. In fact, I don't think any girl could ever dream  
 of anything more perfect.



**Tim Patterson and  
Christa Henning**

Tim and I have been together since my freshman year and his  
 sophomore year. We got introduced through some of his friends  
 and began talking for a long time. When Tim eventually asked me  
 on our first date, it was the start of our ongoing relationship. This  
 summer after Tim graduated, he went to work in Mississippi while I  
 was here in Jackson. My birthday was on July 28th and we had  
 already decided that we wouldn't be able to see each other. When  
 I came home one night I opened the door to find a row of  
 Hershey's kisses along the floor with a little line and a note saying  
 "Follow us." I followed the kisses down the stairs and into the  
 bathroom. A note on the bathroom door said "Open the shower  
 curtain." I thought that maybe some of my friends were going to  
 jump out of the shower and surprise me for my birthday. I reluctantly  
 opened the shower curtain and found the tub filled with rose  
 petals floating in the water. There was a boat in the water that had  
 a note that said "Now that I've paved your way with kisses and  
 showered you with roses..." And then Tim came out from behind  
 the closet door. I went to give him a hug because I thought he had  
 come to surprise me for my birthday, but instead of hugging me he  
 got down on his knee and pulled a rose from behind his back. I  
 looked down and saw the ring sitting in the petals. He said "Will  
 you marry me?" I had no idea that he was going to ask me so  
 soon so I was so surprised. I said yes and was in such shock that  
 I just went numb. He got up and gave me a huge hug and we just  
 held each other for a long time.

We met at school during the first week of our Freshman year. My roommate and I were on our way to McDonalds when we saw Johnathan standing in the circle between the commons. We invited him to come along with us. After that we started hanging out together and naturally discovered that we shared a lot of the same interests. We talked about the Lord and what He was doing in our lives. We were not attracted to each other at all and had no intentions of ever dating. As we began to spend significant amounts of time together, our friends thought that something was going to develop. But we were convinced that nothing ever would. We just seemed to click spiritually and found that we really challenged each other in our Christian walks. We spent that whole year getting to know each other and over the summer we began to pray about our feelings. When we returned to school, we began dating the first week. We got engaged a year and a half later on Christmas Eve at his family's house. We went around the room to watch each person open all of his/her gifts, and when it was my turn Jon put a big box in my lap. He wrapped the ring inside of three smaller boxes and inside the last box was a red piece of paper that said Merry Christmas, and inside of the paper was written, "As you wish." This quote is from the movie The Princess Bride, in which the character says, "As you wish" to really mean, "I love you." The whole family knew Jon was proposing and had already seen the ring. When I saw the ring I burst into tears. He held io out and asked me to marry him. My reaction was crying. I said yes and then we set the date of January 9, 1999. When we are married we will still be seniors, so we will live on campus in married housing .

**Jonathan D. Kever and  
Charlene Simpson**



Jonathan and I first met in March of my Freshman year, and although I could never remember his name, I accepted his invitation to go on our first date. We really hit it off, and I think we both knew that it was something special. I was blown away to see how much we had in common. Not too long after our initial date, we began dating exclusively. Jonathan has become my best friend, and in the short time that we have been together, we have helped each other strengthen our relationships with God. I have always wanted someone that I could share my dreams with and now that my dream has come true, maybe I won't forget his name!

**Rachel Lane and  
Jonathan Smart**

# In A Heartbeat

The stories of Union couples



Students took time from their Monday night schedules to praise God at a student lead Powersource.

Jeff McKenzie played the guitar during powersource.

"FOR ME POWERSOURCE IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE MY MIND OFF OF SCHOOL WORK AND FOCUS ON WORSHIPPING GOD WITH OTHER STUDENTS."  
MELISSA HUGHES.



# POWERSOURCE

Students expressing their mighty love of God together

By Stefanie Morris

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Steve Moore lead some songs during powersource with the rest of the praise band playing in the background.

"This year Powersource has revolved around worshipping God with our heads and our hearts. As students we are expected to be part of a huge number of worship services and ministries. Powersource provides a unique opportunity for us to attend a pressure free worship time," said **Jeanna Young**. Powersource is a time for student lead worship and praise ever other Monday night. A group of students have formed a praise band that plays not only during Powersource, but has also participated in Chapel services. During Powersource students sing praise songs and listen to a student led message. There are times for individual student prayer in which each student can reflect and pray silently.

"For me Powersource is an excellent opportunity to take my mind off of school work and focus on worshipping God with other students," said **Melissa Hughes**.



Kristin Wicker sang with all her heart to lift up the name of God during a Powersource. The praise band has both male and female singers so that all students have a range to sing in.

By Stefanie  
Morris

# LAUGHING IN THE DARK

## A survey of college students lifestyles

\*This survey is fictional and for humor purposes only!



Christie Evanson gave plasma for money at Plasma Biological Services on the 1st of the month. Many students from Union used this easy and safe way to get their plasma as a means of income.



Getting crazy during their free time was Andy Lyons and Christian Kinney. Students sometimes had to get a little "weird" to release stress and take their minds off the pressing issues of school and work.



## What I learn the most of...

5. How to live with my roommates
4. How to live in a landfill
3. How to eat food that belongs in a landfill
2. How to grow mold in my fridge
1. How to live without sleep



## How I pass my time...

Eating.....	32%
Studying.....	16%
Hanging out with friends.....	28%
Cleaning my room.....	2%
Sleeping.....	22%

Up at the fountain at night, Will Brantley played his guitar for some of his friends.

## What I do for money...

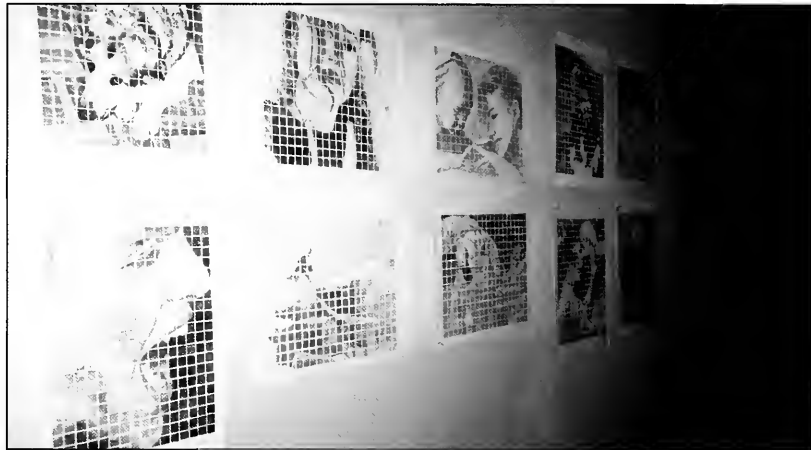
Nothing, I'm too poor to mind.....	5%
Call Mom and Dad.....	23%
On campus job.....	10%
Off campus job.....	16%
Sell plasma.....	46%



# Coloring Outside The Lines

By Stefanie Morris

Part of Art 113 was a 2-dimensional design class project in which each student had to use 320 squares with the principals of lines and values of lighting to master the grid method. Displayed are some of the projects during the month of October.



**Shilo Velasquez** worked on his art project, capturing beauty within the confines of pencil and paper.



The art wall in October was filled with small paintings done by art students who each had to individually paint 40 pictures of anything they desired.

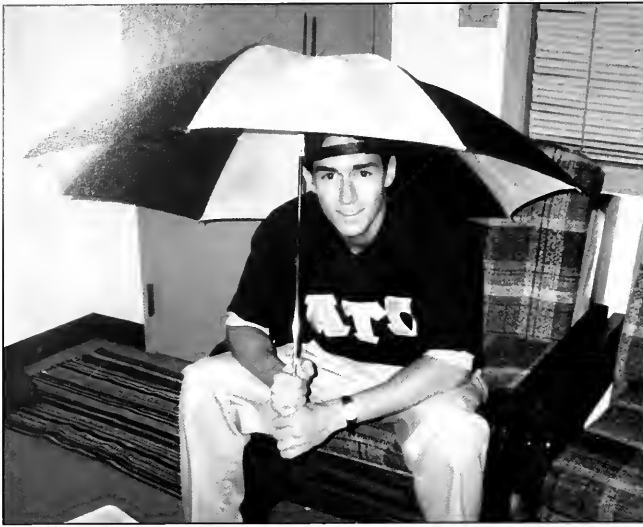


Working on a ceramics project was graduate student **Ray Gregory**.



**Jennifer Thompson**, a former student, made this piece of artwork as a self portrait.

Having to relieve some stress and just have some fun, the art department hosted a "Blue Party" for all art majors and minors. All students who attended had to dress in blue, eat and drink blue food and fulfill other blue themes. Playing Twister are **Michah Akisson** and **Jenny Henleyey**, with **Jay Pratt** who encouraged from the sidelines.



Blake Staples got ready to leave after visiting some friends in Hurt during open dorms Saturday.

# Within These Walls

## An Inside Glimpse of Dorm Life

Living on campus at Union may cause problems for some or frustrate others, but on the whole Union students find fond memories made and lasting relationships with roommates and neighbors. The Hurt (female) and Watters (male) complexes house women and men within the private and protective walls of the complexes. McAfee residents, which are both men and women but in separate apartments, are open and for many feel much more freedom. McAfee apartments are normally reserved for upperclassman for maturity reasons of not having so much supervision or people around. Within these apartments are where all the action on campus happens, whether it be early morning, three in the morning or during open dorms.

When Freshman first arrive at Union most find themselves in a room in Hurt that holds five people with no kitchen. Freshmen often find comfort in knowing they now have others in which to venture out of the room with to explore the campus. True that not all freshman room assignments always work out, but even through struggles roommates normally find friendships that will last. For current sophomores **Whitney Faughn, Amanda Nason, Mandy Day, and Angie Miller**, their freshman year brought many crazy memories and some lasting friendships. "We were crazy roommates. One day while I was out of the apartment, my roommates decided to prank me by taking all the living room furniture and placing it all throughout my room. Using the couch base and the two chairs they blockaded the outside of my door. It was the funniest thing!" said Whitney Faughn.

Open dorms give all students the chance to visit their friends of the opposite sex in their apartments. Open dorms are held every other Saturday and on some selected evenings.

By **Stefanie Morris**

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**Kristi McElroy** cooked some tacos for herself and her roomates.

Smiling with pride at their work of blockading their roomates room were **Amanda Nason**, **Mandy Day** and **Angie Miller**.



During open dorms **Amos Wood** hung out with **Amanda Welch** in a friend's apartment.

Fall marked the beginning of construction work on the new LifeWay Christian Store. This new building was the first in Union's 20-year master plan of campus expansion.

TIME FOR A  
*Change*



Unsettled grounds surrounded the baseball field during construction remodeling.



# “Unsettled Grounds!”

Groundbreaking begins Union’s 20-year master plan

The 1998-99 Union University school year began with a groundbreaking bang. On Friday, September 25, 1998 a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new LifeWay Christian Store. The LifeWay Christian Store is the new bookstore retailer for Union and is the only Baptist Book Store/LifeWay Christian store on a university campus. The construction of this new building is the first development in Union’s 20 year master plan. The master plan will enable Union to serve an additional 1,000 students. The current enrollment of Union is 2,323 students.

The new building is located on the northeastern corner of the campus next to Volunteer Bank. The building will be a two story, Georgian and Colonial mixture styled building. The bookstore will be located in center of the downstairs along with the welcome center. Classrooms are to be located on the first floor. Upstairs there will be Development and Alumni Offices and a conference room. The classrooms will resemble the classrooms in the Blasingame Academic Complex, with the one difference of being able to move furniture around to fit the needs of the class better.

The 20,000-square-foot building is scheduled to be completed summer of 1999. The bookstore itself will not only sell Christian merchandise such as Bibles, music, apparel, gifts and jewelry, but will also supply the student books and paraphernalia.

Also expanding currently on the Union campus are reconstruction of the Union soccer field and baseball fields.

By **Stefanie Morris**

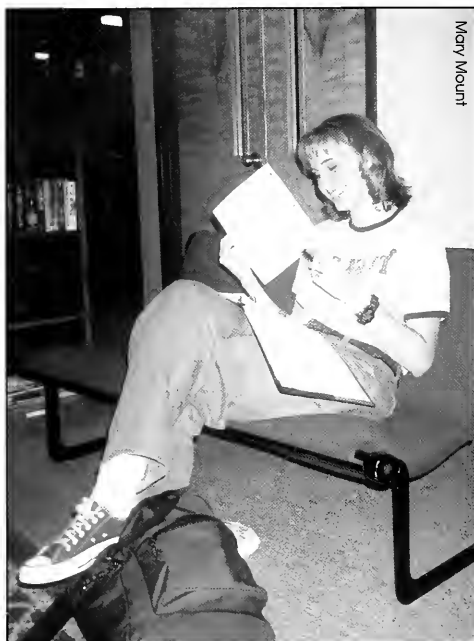


Baseball player, **John Koffman**, a senior, raked the new sod in effort to help the process of remodelling get done.



Catching Union students offguard or just having fun.

# SMILE, YOU'RE ON CANDID CAMERA!



By **Stefanie Morris**

Union students are hard workers and deserve a break to just relax and have fun. Whether students are in their own rooms, the library, the recreation center or the Lexington Inn, good times are to be had. Crazy things can happen when mind-boggled studying students let loose on campus.

You know you've been studying too long when you laugh at your notes for comic relief, as hard worker **Jeanna Young** found out in the library.

Hanging out at the recreation center, **Micah Rochester, Wendy Nolen, Nathan Lee, and David Acree** grinned.





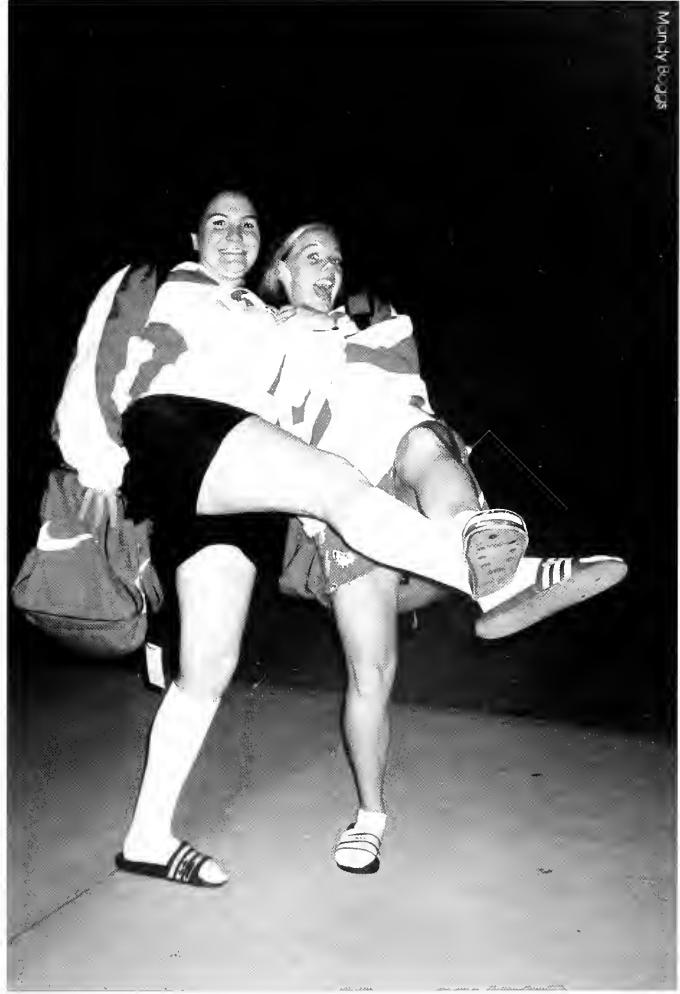


Mandy Boggs

Mandy Boggs, Rachal Calvert and Samantha Lyon spent their late night freetime just hanging out at the fountain.



Volleyball players Amy Steele and Christy Vogt got a little crazy after a game. Keep those spirits high!



Mandy Boggs



# PEOPLE



Each and every Unionite is an important part of what makes Union the whole. They **COME** from the far regions of the United States and the further regions of the globe. They come to read. They come to write. They come to please parents. They come to become a new individual and prepare for the future. They come to **EXPERIENCE** the best years of their life. Through organizations, parties, cramming sessions and unique dorm experiences, students learn more and more about Union every day. **THE** Union experience proves to be more than was expected. From the time a freshman first learns the traditions and tales of **UNION** at Orientation, to the final moment a senior walks across the commencement stage with diploma in hand, the trials and joys of Union life ring true with all the **SPIRIT** of Union U.

Mr. Lee Benson  
Mr. Michael Mallard  
Mr. Christopher Nadaskay



## ART

The Art Department provides a rich environment and curriculum devoted to developing skills, stimulating critical thinking and expressing creativity within the framework of a Christian liberal arts program. The Union University Art Gallery presents a continuous series of art exhibits highlighting a wide variety of professional Christian artist. Students also have the opportunity to attend gallery lectures by visiting artist which provide encouragement and enlightenment. Along with the gallery's many professional exhibits, Union holds an Annual Student Exhibit. Graduating seniors also present a Senior Exhibition as a requirement for graduation.

Mrs. Cheryl Crossett  
Dr. James Huggins  
Dr. Michael McMahan  
Mr. Brian Norton



## BIOLOGY

Mrs. Elsie Smith  
Ms. Carol Weaver  
Dr. Wayne Wofford



The Biology Department is designed to acquaint students with living organisms as whole, functioning entities that, in their diversity, share many common features. In addition to providing the scientific background required of all educated citizens, the department provides a foundation upon which the student may build a graduate program, undertake training in health-related professions, or prepare for secondary-level science teaching. Students may participate in independent research as well as specific courses.

# **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION/LAUNCH**



Dr. Steven Arendall  
Mrs. Judy Laforge  
Mrs. Karen Miller  
Dr. Sam Myatt  
Dr. Walton Padelford



Dr. Bevalee Pray  
Cindy Shirley

The McAfee School of Business Administration was established in 1989 and currently consists of four programs; LAUNCH (our undergraduate degree completion program); the Professional Public Accounting evening program; the Master's of Business Administration program and our traditional undergraduate program. Our close relationship with area businesses has afforded us close to a 100% placement rate for our School of Business graduates. Through our internship program, strong community involvement, and leading-edge programming, Union University has become a leader in supplying knowledge workers to regional and area businesses.

# **CHEMISTRY/PHYSICS**



Dr. Charles Baldwin  
Dr. Jimmy Davis  
Dr. Sally Henrie  
Dr. Randy Johnston  
Dr. Glenn Marsch  
Mrs. Charlotte Van den Bosch

The Chemistry/Physics Department at Union University seeks to serve effectively all students within the institution, recognizing their different needs, interest, and career goals. The chemistry/physics faculty seeks to help students understand the physical world, the methods by which it may be studied, and its relationship to other aspects of the human experience. It is the intention of the chemistry/physics faculty to create an environment in which students are challenged to acquire skills in problem solving utilizing the modern methods of science and study in depth the chemical and physical processes which characterize life systems and the physical universe while developing an inquiring attitude toward scientific exploration.

## CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Dr. Roger Glidewell  
Mr. Bradley Green  
Dr. David Gushee  
Dr. George Guthrie  
Dr. Paul Jackson



The Christian Studies Department continues to grow, with over 175 students now majoring in the department. The department growth stems from a clear vision of where we are going and a solid faculty. The faculty members bring various strengths to the Christian Studies students. All of the department members are good communicators in the classroom and work at the art of teaching. Our faculty members excel at relationships with students. Whether by playing basketball, counseling, or just talking for a moment in the hall, the faculty members show they really care about students. Some members of the faculty write consistently, publishing articles and books that have an impact outside the wall of Union. All of the Christian Studies professors are consistently involved in local churches and, therefore, bring a sense of authenticity to the classroom.

## ENGLISH

Mr. Mark Bingham  
Ms. Jeannie Byrd  
Dr. Janet Grose  
Dr. Barbara McMillin



Mr. Gavin Richardson  
Mr. Roger Stanley  
Ms. Pam Sutton



The English Department promotes an understanding of literary traditions, teaches students to think analytically and to write effectively, and fosters human awareness through course offerings in composition and literature.

## EDUCATION



Ms. Michelle Atkins  
Ms. Helen Butler  
Mrs. Anna Clifford  
Dr. Bill Hedspeth  
Mr. Changham Lee  
Mrs. Dottie Myatt



Dr. Camille Searcy  
Mrs. Ann Singleton  
Mrs. Joanne Stephenson  
Mrs. Patti Todd  
Dr. Benny Tucker  
Dr. Terry Weaver



Ms. Carrie Whaley

The Education Department is evolving and growing to meet the needs of teacher education in the new millennium. The primary role of the Education Department is to produce emerging teachers who are Christ-like, competent, and reflective. The Education Department has ten full-time faculty members and five part-time members who advise 220 students. These outstanding students plan to use the gifts God has given them as teachers in pre-school, elementary, middle-grades, or special education environments. With a reputation for preparing teachers who know not only about teaching, but also know how to teach, the Teacher Education Program offers twenty-seven different licensure areas.

## COMMUNICATION ARTS



Mr. Steve Beverly  
Mr. Wayne Johnson  
Dr. Kina Mallard  
Mrs. Debra Tayloe  
Mr. Julian Williamson  
Ms. Janice Wood

Delivering a broadcast. Writing a breaking news story. Creating an advertisement. Starring in the Children's Play. What department offers these exciting opportunities and more? The Communication Arts Department has been a vital part of the Union community, keeping the student body, faculty and staff informed and entertained. The department offers four majors: journalism, broadcasting, public relations/advertising, and theater. It also sponsors the Union University Players, the Cardinal & Cream student newspaper, the Lest We Forget yearbook, the Student Public Relations Society, and many other organizations in which students may be involved.

The Communication Arts Department provides not only knowledge of media professions, but the practical application to back it up, all in a fun and informative setting. Alumni success attests to the strides Communications Arts has made within its time at Union. With enthusiastic and knowledgeable professors and activities to draw students in, the Communication Arts Department gets you there.

# HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE

Dr. Stephen Carls  
Dr. Terry Lindley



The History and Political Science Department, which had five full-time faculty and three part-time members, offered numerous sections of survey classes as well as upper-level courses in American, world, and church history, political science, and geography. In addition, one department major spent the spring semester as a legislative intern in Nashville and another had an applied history internship in the library. Among its graduating majors this year were students who plan to embark on teaching careers, attend law school, or seminary, or enter the business world.

# MUSIC

Ms. Elizabeth Bedsole  
Dr. Joseph Blass  
Ms. Karen Dale  
Dr. David Dennis  
Ms. Dianne Gatwood



Dr. Terry McRoberts  
Mr. Paul Munson  
Dr. Michael Penny  
Dr. Andrew Roby  
Ms. Edyth Worthy



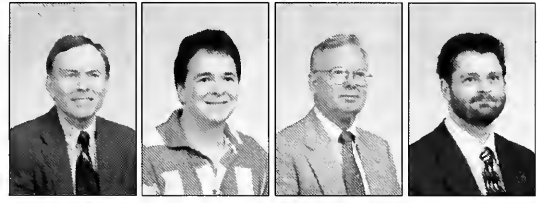
The Department of Music collaborates with the larger University with its emphasis on integrating faith into the understanding of all the arts, especially music. Programs are available in the areas of Performance, Music Education, Historical Musicology, Theory and Literature, and Church Music. The Bachelor of Arts and the Bachelor of Music degrees are accredited by all the appropriate regional and professional bodies. The nationally renowned faculty of the Department of Music makes available a plethora of solo and ensemble performance opportunities for all students in the University.



# MATH/COMPUTER SCIENCE



Mr. Steve B...  
Mr. Bryan Dar...  
Mr. Richard Dein...  
Ms. Stephanie Edge  
Mr. Chris Hail



Mr. Dwayne Jennings  
Dr. Matt Lunsford  
Mr. Don Richard  
Dr. Jan Wilms

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science offers majors in mathematics and computer science. Minors are offered in mathematics, analytical methods, computer science and computer information systems.

Well hidden in Union's attics  
are faculty teaching mathematics.  
Loving calculus and stats,  
college algebra and that-  
students presume they're fanatics.

# LANGUAGE



Mrs. Julie Glosson  
Dr. Cynthia Jayne  
Mrs. Jean Walls

The Department of Language is dedicated to helping students to better understand other languages and cultures, while giving them insight to their own. The Department of Language also helps students acquire basic skills in a second language and offers opportunities to maintain and develop these skills.

## NURSING

Mrs. Sandra Brown  
Ms. Ruth Chastain  
Ms. Elsie Cressman  
Mrs. Sharon Kirk  
Mrs. Donna Latham



Mrs. Melanie Matthews  
Mrs. Rosemary McLaughlin  
Mrs. Cathy Farrett  
Ms. Kathy Tidwell



Union University has a long history in nursing education, being the first college in Tennessee to offer an associate degree in nursing. Today we offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree to non-nurses on the Jackson campus and to registered nurses's (RN's) on both the Jackson and Germantown campuses.

The School of Nursing has over 200 students who are studying to become professional nurses. Students obtain a strong foundation in liberal education and in the discipline of nursing from a Christian worldview. This prepares them to provide nursing care, to use technology, to coordinate care in a variety of settings, and to assist patients in using an increasingly complex health care system. Students have the opportunity to be members of the Tennessee Student Nurses Association and the Baptist Student Nursing Fellowship. Last year one of our students was president of the Tennessee Students Nurses Association. Graduates are qualified to become licensed as registered nurses and to practice professional nursing in the 21st century.

## P.E.W.S.

Ms. Lisa Hutchens  
Mr. Gary Johnson  
Dr. Linn Stranak  
Mr. Gary Williams



The P.E.W.S Department believes physical education to be the part of the total educational program which adds its unique contribution through the medium of activity or movement. The department emphasizes the acquisition of motor skills as of value for lifetime physical recreation activities, the development of socially desirable habits and attitudes, and knowledge, which contributes to the overall aims of education.

## PSYCHOLOGY



Dr. David Vickery  
Dr. Teresa West  
Mrs. Christy Wyatt

Committed to academic excellence and development of the whole person, the Department of Psychology strives to challenge and support students in developing a better understanding of human relations and individual adjustment by applying concepts to their personal living. Within a Christian context, the psychology major gives students the preparation for graduate study and the foundation for effective interaction with others in a variety of career settings.

## SOCIOLOGY/SOCIAL WORK



Mr. Antonio Chiarelli  
Ms. Naomi Larsen  
Mrs. Mary Poe

The mission of the Sociology and Social Work department is to educate students in various aspects of human society and human relationships from a Christian perspective, to prepare them not only for careers in the human service field, but for life. The Sociology and Social Work department will continue to strive for academic excellence in our students and ourselves, to be future directed, focused on the needs of our students, and to center our plans and dreams around Christ.

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# Seniors

Matt Thomson proudly displayed the gifts for underprivileged children in the back of his truck.



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Andy Adair  
Michael Adams  
Kristy Allen  
Sherrell Anderson  
Melissa Baldwin  
Gina Barnett



## Seniors

Kellee Berry  
Stacie Black  
David Blankenship  
Kevin Bonee  
Matthew Brents  
Krista Bruce



Jammie Burchfield  
Sharon Burrows  
Jill Burrows  
Donna Butler  
Carey Cain  
John Carrull



Christy Carter  
Jonathan Castles  
Brent Cates  
Currie Cates  
Jennifer Cates  
Eddie Childers





Steven Chipman  
 David Chisolm  
 Mario Cobo  
 Amanda Coffman  
 Amy Cooley  
 Annie-Laurie Crane

Melissa Colpepper  
 Amanda Davidson  
 Joni Davis  
 Bridget Diggs  
 Rob Dixon  
 Angie Ellison

Ochieng Elvis  
 Sarah Estes  
 Brandon Estrada  
 Neal Evans  
 Rachel Evans  
 William Farnner

Holly Tignor  
 Cynthia Fisher  
 Jenny Fonville  
 Doug Forbes  
 Stephen Forrester

# Seniors

## You Know That You Are in College When....

- You see 19 cents on the floor and you say, Hey, Ramen Noodles. - **Patrick Horner**
- The guy at GNC already has the Ginseng ready for you when you get there. - **Aaron Kregger**
- Free food must be provided at any event before students will come. - **Scott Johnson**
- There is a difference between your home and your home town. - **Neal Rager**
- You need to use the computer lab and you can't because the computer lab is filled up. - **Zack Davis**

Leah Foust  
 Suzanne Frost  
 Angela Garrow  
 Sam Green  
 Lori Grissom



Kim Grooms  
 Crystal Hall  
 Brad Hambrick  
 Suzanne Hamrick  
 Janna Hays  
 Gina Heathcott



Barbara Hughes, Donnie  
 Alford, and Bernice  
 Bradford made their  
 nightly rounds around  
 campus, insuring our  
 safety.



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# Seniors

Genie Henley  
 Jonathan Hickey  
 Matt Hoover  
 Kyle Hopper  
 Anna Horner  
 Patrick Horner



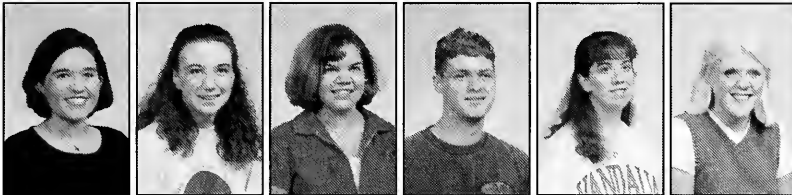
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 Jill Hutchison  
 Brad Irby  
 Martin Irvin  
 Glenda Jewell  
 Julie Johnsey





*"I am a second year senior here at Union. Union has helped me to grow and develop both spiritually and intellectually. And although I will miss it here, I am excited about the future and the opportunities it holds."*

*-Jennifer McDearman*



Lorrie Johnson  
 Karri Johnson Collier  
 Jodi Jones  
 Nathan Jones  
 Tina Jones  
 Kelly Jurina



Doris Kellen  
 Ashley Kern  
 Judy King  
 Michal Kliman  
 Jessica Lackey  
 Chad Lake



Elyzabeth Lawrence  
 Christy Lawson  
 Lance Lee  
 Stephanie Lim  
 Shantel Malan  
 Jennifer Malloy



Billy Mauldin  
 Trey McClain  
 Andrea McDaniel  
 Stacy McDaniel  
 Charles Meadows  
 Ellen Melson

# Seniors

# SENIORS

Timothy Mercer  
Jennifer Middleton  
Miriam Miller  
Steven Miller  
Amy Montgomery  
Amanda Moore



## Seniors

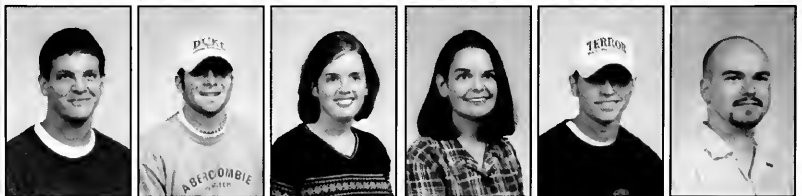
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Matt Owenby  
Folashade Oyebadé  
Anitra Parram



Greg Parsons  
Nathan Perrins  
Angela Peters  
April Phelps  
Justin Phillips  
Ron Picard





Polly Pierce  
Richard Pirer  
Steve Poindexter  
Jessica Pritchett  
Mark Rager  
Melissa Ramos

Daniel Randle  
Charles Reed  
Shannon Reid  
Paul Riddle  
Phillip Robison  
Phyllis Robison

Russell Rockett  
Meredith Rollyson  
Erin Sandstrom  
Amelia Schrepfer  
Misty Sellers  
Fred Shuckelford



Jeff Shands and Michael Norton greet Dr. David S. Dockery with a smile when they attended the fire side chat

# Seniors

Jeff Shands  
 Chad Shankle  
 Jennifer Shearon  
 Jonathan Shearon  
 Billy Shelton  
 Leah Short



Michael Slaughter  
 Jonathan Smart  
 Rachel Smothers  
 Richard Solt  
 Tiffany Staggs  
 Brian Stanford



Blake Staples  
 Tonya Steinman  
 Collie Strain  
 Branam Teetaller  
 Andrea Terry  
 Stephen Thomas



Bethany Throver  
 Matt Tipton  
 Keri Touchatt  
 Chet Verner  
 Catherine Villarino  
 Andrew Vukadinovich



# Seniors

## You Know That You Are in College When....

- You realize that the boys are cuter here than in high school.
  - **Allison Wright**
- The weekends start on Thursdays. - **Melinda Davis**
- You think how relaxing it would be if you were in jail right now. - **Wes Plunk**
- You go home and you forget to dial the first three digits of your friend's phone number. - **Valerie Volner**
- You stay up all night to register for classes. - **Lori Hobbs**
- You stay up all night studying for an A&P test that you sleep through. - **Rachel Lane**



Jackie Washburn  
Jay Watson  
Hope Weaver  
April Webb  
William Weir  
Ben Wilkinson



Clay Williams  
Candace Willis  
Aaron Wiltsun  
Emily Wiltshire  
Cathy Windham  
John Windham



Lantana Wood  
Robbie Woods  
Amber Wyre  
Amy Young  
Sabrina Young  
Misty Yow

## Senior Class Officers:



Left to Right: Suzanne Frost, Danielle Henley, Tonya Steinman,  
Ashley Kern

# Seniors

# Juniors

Rose Agnoux  
 Andrea Aldridge  
 Calvin Allen  
 Bryan Allison  
 David Arrce  
 Andrew Atwood



Rebecca Babcock  
 Joy Bailey  
 Carla Barber  
 Carrie Barger  
 Ken Barker  
 Marcia Bartenhagen



## Juniors

Brian Bell  
 Alisha Bobbitt  
 Emily Boone  
 Timothy Byington  
 Brandon Byrd  
 Greg Cales



Luis Pozzi and Amy Williams utilized the state of the art Wellness Center, as Luis instructs her to use the machines properly.





Waterballoon volley ball was just one of the fun activities at the McAfee complex fall cook out.



Gina Camerota  
 Aaron Campbell  
 Dobby Campbell  
 Shannon Carter  
 Annalie Colzo  
 Beth Chapman

# Juniors

Sabrina Childress  
 Chris Clark  
 Angela Conger  
 William Cox  
 Regan Craig  
 Lindsey Crain

Ben Cripps  
 Jonathan Crook  
 Donald Crouch  
 Christina Crouse  
 Andrea Cummings  
 Jason Dennis

*"Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done."*

*Phillipians 4:6*

Paul Witt and Billy Shelton finished discussing the latest campus news over lunch.



## Juniors

***“If I could speak in any language in heaven or earth but did not love others, I would only be making meaningless noise like a loud gong or a clanging cymbal.” 1 Corinthians 13:1***

Deborah Dickerson  
Bethany Dilles  
Leigh Dobbins  
Andy Dodd  
Jennifer Drake  
Kimberly Drewry



Genika Echols  
Emily Ellison  
Becky Emerson  
Rachel Evans  
Brandy Faughn  
Jason Fisher



Chanda Fly  
Melody Foropoulos  
Mike French  
April Frost  
Amanda Fuller  
Patrea Glover







Wendy Graves  
Jonathan Gray  
Trinity Gray  
Brent Green  
Joann Green  
Karen Green



Meg Griffin  
April Grigg  
Beth Guy  
Jennifer Hall  
Misty Hall  
Jennifer Hardin



Davina Harms  
Audrey Harris  
Adria Heryford  
TERRIE HILL  
Christy Holley  
Heather Horosby

# Juniors



Paul Houser  
Brandy Hudsoo  
Ernie Jackson  
Delaina Jones  
Jeff Jones



Monica Walters and Chris Hardin take some time out to play pool in the activities center.

Julie Jones  
 Patrick Jordan  
 Christian Kinney  
 Erin Lawrence  
 Beverly Lewis  
 Bart Lindsey



Andy Lyons  
 William Marshall  
 Clara Martinez  
 Krista Mashburn  
 Ryan Massey  
 Nathan McCrum



Brian McLean  
 John Melton  
 Sarah Merillat  
 Jennifer Merwin  
 Jason Miller  
 Jeff Miller



# Juniors



Jake Eaton, a freshman basketball player, was taking his time as he walked to class when this picture was taken



# Juniors

Roomates and friends can be some of the best people to go to for help with homework.



Casey Mitchell  
Melissa Moore  
Janna Morel  
Carter Morris  
Lili Myatt  
Natalie Nelson

Shanita Ogburn  
Sonya Owens  
Sarah Padelford  
Frederic Palmliden  
Hollie Park  
Christopher Pettigrew

Laura Rector  
Erica Reinhart  
Melanie Richerson  
Amy Robbins  
Aurelio Roqueta  
Vaquer  
Kelli Ross

Nathan Sawyer  
 Cathie Scarbrough  
 Michelle Sensing  
 Sarah Shaub  
 Ashley Silcox  
 Mary Ben Skinner



April Slaton  
 Samantha Sloan  
 Sarah Smith  
 Shauna Sommermeyer  
 Tiffany Stallings  
 Josh Stegall



Betty Stewart  
 Lyle Swingler  
 Lee Tankersley  
 Carrie Teague  
 Brandy Thatcher  
 Jason Tipton



# Juniors

Paul Tipton  
 Marni Towles  
 Tiffany Trannum  
 Willie Trevathan  
 Lauren Vaughan  
 Courtney Vickers



Audrey Harris  
 and Neal Rager  
 "study" hard in  
 the library.





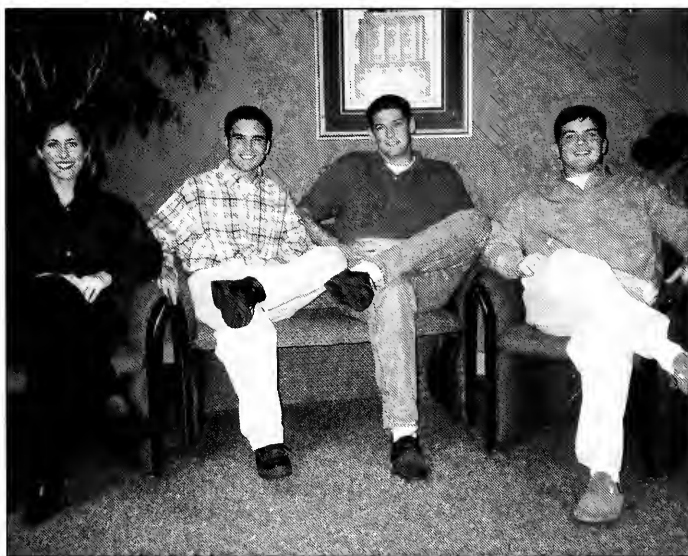
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 Kelli White

Patrick Whyte  
 Joy Wilkerson  
 Kyle Wiltshire  
 Julie Winfield  
 Wendy Wolfe  
 Keeley Woods

# Juniors

## Junior Class Officers:



Left to Right: Melody Foropolous, Ken Barker, Kyle Wiltshire, Patrick Jordan

# Sophomores

Elizabeth Dickerson patiently waits her turn to enjoy the cafeteria's scrumptious delicacies.



Photo by Marry Bogg

## Sophomores

Katie Bemis  
Natalie Bennett  
Maggie Bible  
Jeremy Bishop  
Mandy Boggs  
Julie Boyer



Julie Bradfield  
Rob Braese  
Angela Brownlee  
Mary Beth Byington  
Jessica Carfield  
Kelly Carter



Angela Celzo  
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Adam Clark  
Monique Coby  
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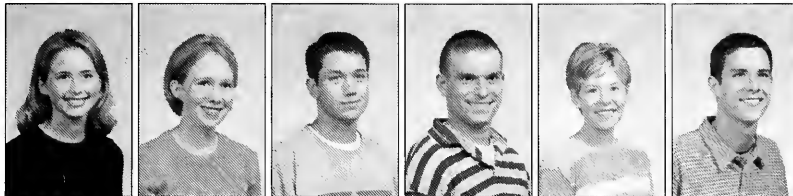


Rebekah Coleman  
Chris Collins  
Kellie Cooper  
Laurel Copeland  
Laura Crabb  
Carri Crawford



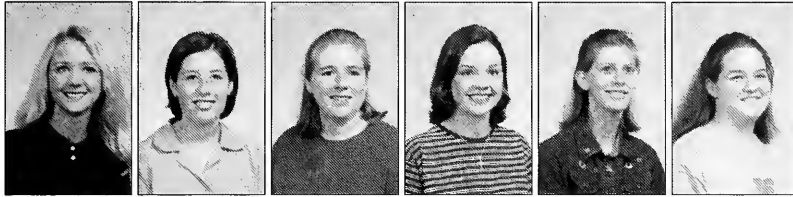


Audrey Cunningham  
 Jamie Curry  
 Elizabeth Curtis  
 Mandy Day  
 Michael Dennison  
 Amber Donovan



Tonya Dotson  
 Leah Duke  
 Eric Ellerbrook  
 Daniel Evans  
 Ellie Evans  
 Paul Farmer

# Sophomores



Whitney Faughn  
 Andrea Fisher  
 Erin Foley  
 Amber Frey  
 Heather Gardner  
 Tabitha Geho



Charis Gilmore  
 Mandy Gilmore  
 Robin Gleockler  
 Julia Golden  
 Dwayne Goodgine  
 Amy Grace



Ricky Gray  
 Kristy Griffin  
 Tristin Hall  
 Sherri Hamilton  
 Mykle Harchfield  
 Leia Henrie

Brittney Herndon  
Drew Herndon  
Micah Holton  
Laura Howell  
Brad Hower



Tim Hughes  
Gabe Hurt  
Jason Hurt  
Alicia Jackson  
Sarah Jackson



# Sophomores

Rob Braese and Daniel Fritz are diligently served the students recreational needs at the Student Activities Center



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Jennifer Jennings  
Amber Jewell  
Jennifer Johnson  
Kristen Johnson  
Scott Johnson



Kress Jones  
Leslie Jones  
Paula Jones  
Zelda Jones  
Tiffany Keen





## You Know That You Are in College When....

- Instead of living with your family and visiting your friends, you live with your friends and visit your family. - **Joshua Trent**
- Quarters are worth their weight in gold. - **Mykle Harchfield**
- You write a check for three dollars. - **Whitney Faughn**
- The dirtier your room is the more people want to come by and see you. - **Jason Allison**
- You pay for dinner with the change you find in the seat of the car. - **Lorrie Johnson**

## Sophomores



Martha Koellein  
Kristin Kopchak  
Jennifer Kornmann  
Rachel Lane  
Sean Lankford  
Alisha Lehnkuhl

Audrey Lemasters  
Micki Malloy  
Roger Mann  
Elizabeth Mathews  
Melody Maxwell  
Victoria McAlister

Melissa McCann  
Kristi McElroy  
Jennifer Michael  
Angela Miller  
Christopher Mills  
Ryan Mitchell

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**Sophomores**

Al Chandler, seated in the Lexington Inn, patiently and politely requested his meal.



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Steve Moore  
Naomi Morgan  
Brent Morris  
Stefanie Morris  
Shawn Moubray  
Leslie Mueller



Charissa Muston  
Amanda Nason  
Lori Neal  
Becky Newkirk  
Emily Newman  
Wendy Nolen



Bonnie Olenik  
Rebekah Patterson  
Melody Phillips  
Paige Pierce  
Wes Plunk  
Dawn Powers





Luis Pozzi  
Leslie Riddick  
Matt Roden  
Natalie Rogers  
April Rone



Rebecca Roode  
Carla Rose  
Carolyn Sagasi  
Clifton Sain  
Alison Sawyers

# Sophomores



April Schroeder  
Melanie Scott  
Jolie Seaborn  
Mindy Sellers  
Chester Sharp



Stephanie Sharp  
Ruth Shaver  
Andrey Simpelo  
Lisa Sipes  
Jordan Slater

## You Know That You Are in College When....

- You are in the bathroom and find out there is no toilet paper.
- **Mike Fisher**
- You have a quote in the yearbook but you can't afford to buy one. - **Adam Mitchell**
- Better late than never applies to every situation in your life.
- **Ellie Evans**
- You use your coffee table to make stadium seating. - **Joshua Trent**

## Sophomores

Jason Smith  
Kristy Smith  
Melita Smith  
Misty Smith  
Sarah Smith  
Dana Sowash



Joy Spurlin  
Lesley Stafford  
Amanda Stahlschmidt  
Lauren Staples  
Jeff Stelie  
Ashleigh Stephens



Jaime Sweitzer  
Renee Taylor  
Joel Templeton  
Anna Tenhet  
Emilee Thomas  
Jeremy Todd



Caleb Trent  
Joshua Trent  
Lauren Tucker  
Mary Tullis  
Trent Turner  
Melinda Upton



Susan Vanhose  
Stacy Veatch  
Hannah Vergossen  
Elizabeth Vinson  
Valerie Volner  
Nikki Waller





Kris Ward  
Cassandra Watts  
Amandra Welch  
Faith White  
Kim White  
Rebecca White



Kristin Wicker  
Amy Williams  
Jackie Williams  
Lisa Williams  
Suzanne Williamson

# Sophomores



Randi Wise  
Amy Withers  
Amos Wood  
Kiley Wood  
Taylor Worley  
Meg Wright



Sara Wright  
Stacie Wright  
Melissa Yau  
Charles Yewell  
Jeanna Young  
Leah Young

## Sophomore Class Officers:



Row 1: **Carla Rose** and **Ellie Evans**  
Row 2: **Neal Rager** and **Josh Trent**

# Freshmen

## Freshmen

April Adams  
John Adams  
Joshua Adams  
Matt Adams  
Karen Agee  
Autumn Alcott



Charity Alexander  
Amy Anderson  
Sara Anderson  
Tammy Anderson  
John Arnold  
Lea Ann Atherton



Stacey Bailey  
Brian Bain  
Elizabeth Ballard  
Daniel Banks  
Cacey Bankston  
Brandon Barber



Melanie Barber  
Laura Barkley  
Kelly Barron  
Laura Barton  
Keri Baumgardner  
Jennifer Baze



Jennifer Bell  
Meredith Bell  
Carolyn Bennett  
Jonathan Berry  
Rachel Bode  
Beth Boroughs



Tobi Boysef  
John Bray  
Matthew Brewer  
James Brown  
Josh Brown  
Katie Brown





Travis Brown  
Amy Bryan  
Leslie Bryant  
Scott Bryant  
Whitnee Burt  
Ty Bullock

# Freshmen



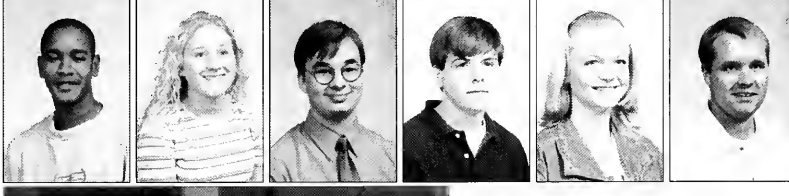
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Carla Cash  
Cesar Cerdeira  
Quen Christian



Brett Clark  
Ann Clendenen  
Rachel Collins  
Casey Conger  
Sandy Conner  
Arenda Cooper



Ricardo Cooper  
Kyle Cousineau  
Cory Coward  
Lance Cowles  
April Cox  
Jason Cox



Nick Harville tried to sell his roommates on the fabulous tasting Fruitopia that he found in the Commons.

Steven Crosby  
Wes Crossett  
Maria Cruz  
Ashley Culpepper  
Ashley Curtis  
Al Da Silva



# Freshmen

Jared Daniel  
Jennifer Daniel  
Heather Danley  
Cara Danner  
Kristin Darrell  
Sarah Davenport



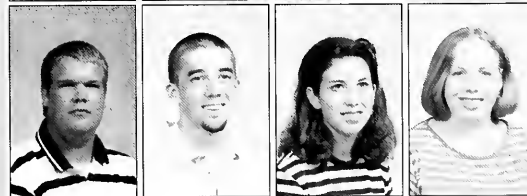
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Gregory Day  
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Jennifer DeLong  
Alicia Dempsey  
Amber Dickey  
Dan Dillingham



Stephen Dixon  
Jon Dockery  
Desha Douglas  
Ginger Doyle





Steven Dixon and his friend did what most every college student must learn how to do, play ping-pong.



# Freshmen



Drew Drace  
Steve Dunn  
Rachel Eakin  
Christy East  
Jake Eaton  
Christie Eavenson



Lacey Elliott  
Meredith Elliott  
Anna England  
Ashley Entzminger  
Jennifer Escue  
Amber Eskridge



Marty Estes  
Jessica Farneth  
Patrick Feathers  
Sara Fender  
Robert Ferguson  
Jessica Fielder



Ashley Fish  
Michael Fisher  
Jeff Fletcher  
Angie Fowlkes  
Christina French  
Adam Futrell



Stacy Fye  
Hillary Gaither  
Ryan Gatgens  
Tammi Gaudin  
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Jonahan Gillette

## You Know That You Are in College When....

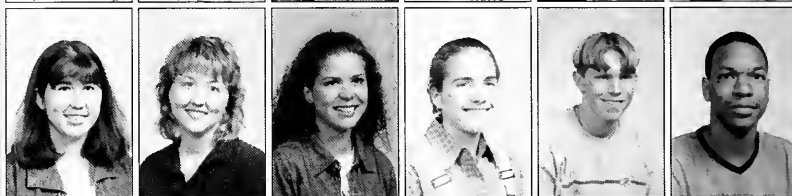
- You find out how far you can go on an empty tank of gas. - **Nick Harvill**
- You have to pay three dollars to do your laundry, but you think that you just lost a fortune. - **Charity Walker**
- You live on eight hours of sleep....a week. - **Meg Wright**
- Your day revolves around checking your mailbox. - **Brent Morris**

## Freshmen

Melissa Gipson  
Tim Gipson  
Mathew Gladle  
Brian Glas  
Melinda Glas  
Erika Godfrey



Jill Goodman  
Amy Goodwin  
Kimberly Goodwin  
Obrien Goodwin  
Joe Grant  
William Gray



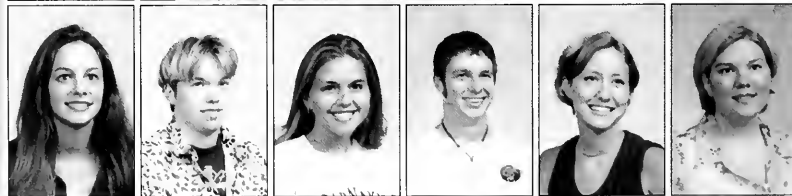
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Summer Griffin  
Julie Griggs  
Ashley Grimm  
Shane Groves



John Guthrie  
Leila Haddad  
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Gayla Hake  
Scott Hall



Ashley Hancock  
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Michelle Hardee  
Chris Hardin  
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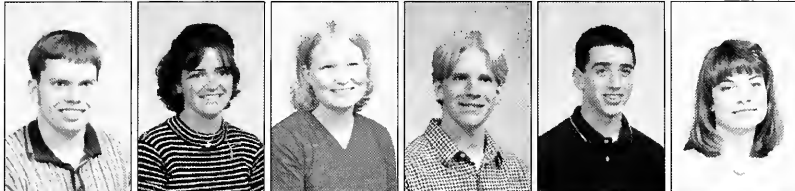


Misty Hart  
Nick Harville  
Lora Hayes  
Sarah Head  
Jess Hedges  
Amanda Heinz

# Freshmen



Julie Hemphill  
Ben Hendren  
Renita Hendrick  
Summer Highley  
Graham Hillard  
Russell Hilton



Jonathan Hitt  
Lori Hobbs  
Angela Hodges  
Andrew Holladay  
Jeremy Hollie  
Kimberly Holmes



Sara Holmes  
Mike Hoover  
Katie Hopper  
Libby Horner  
Ben Hoskins  
Erica Hosmer



Cassie Howle  
Melissa Hughes  
Scottie Hughes  
Michael Hull  
Laura Ingle  
Rebecca Irvin



Al da Silva and Irina, enjoyed visiting Memphis with the other international students.

Beth Anne Boroughs  
watched as Steve  
Moses and Lori Hobbs  
play a game at a Life  
Group meeting.



# Freshmen

Jeremy Isaac  
Andy Ivey  
Shannon Jarvis  
Anne Jeffries  
John Jensen  
Bradley Jerry



Brian Johnson  
Laura Johnson  
Allison Jones  
Bryan Jones  
Bryan Jones  
Jonathan Jones



Justin Jones  
Michael Jones  
Nicole Judd  
B J Jumper  
Irina Kaznina  
Elizabeth Kennedy



Timothy Kent  
Benjamin King  
Grace Kiser  
Dana Klinckman  
Justin Kropf  
Emily Kynerd





Stephanie Lake  
 Joy Lancaster  
 Amanda Lane  
 Brandy Langley  
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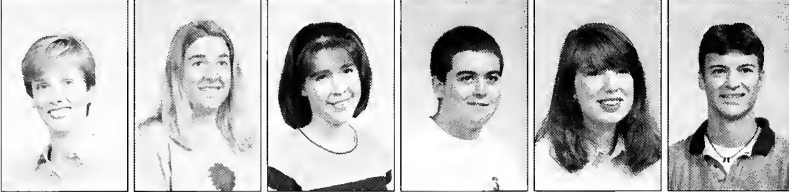
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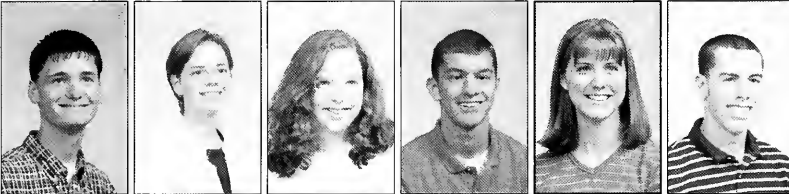
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 Hollie Lowe



Gretchen Lowery  
 Shannon Lowery  
 Samantha Lyon  
 Willy Macias  
 Laresa Markness  
 Scott Marksberry



Joey Marshall  
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 Kristi Martin  
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 Kelly Mathus  
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Victoria Arriaga enjoyed sitting by the lake reflecting about how her first semester had gone.

# Freshmen

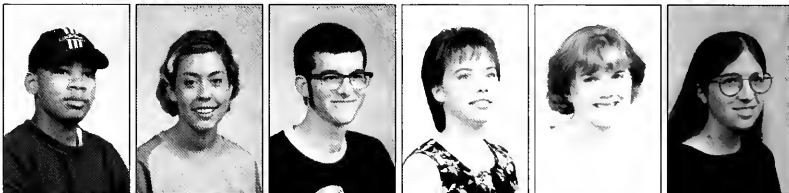
The international student, Sai Lama, easily found out that the best place to hang-out was the Activities Center



Amber McCaslin  
Lola McClintic  
Adam McCollum  
Erin McCrum  
Brooke McDowell  
Nicole McDowell



Shannon McKinnie  
Jill McLemore  
Brian Meredith  
Autumn Meyer  
Taryn Meyers  
Rose Michel



Jennifer Miller  
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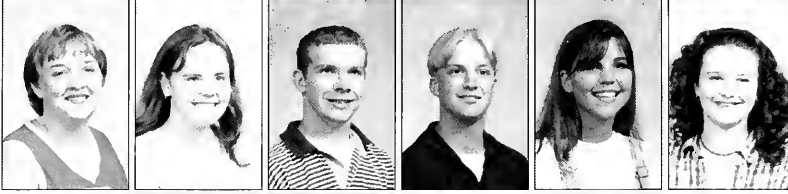
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Drew Nichols  
Allen Nodine

# Freshmen



Bethany Norvell  
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Mary Oneal  
Kristy Onsbly



Elizabeth Osborne  
Jennifer Otegg  
Cassie Paddock  
Laura Pankey  
Brandon Parham  
Joel Parker



Ross Parker  
Emily Parks  
Debra Parnell  
Melissa Parsley  
Wesley Payne  
David Pearce



Jennifer Pergande  
Bethany Pevey  
Dwayne Pfaff  
Sarah Phillips  
Greg Picard  
Christy Pierce



Julie Ann Stephan and Anna Catherine enjoy the most fun part of Wal-Mart, the buggy ride.



# Freshmen

Kellye Rachel  
Jeremy Rasnic  
Amy Ray  
Josh Reptogle  
Summer Rhodes  
Brittany Rich



Paul Richey  
Brian Riddick  
Jennifer Roberts  
Sara Robertson  
Michael Robinson  
Allen Rodgers



Miranda Roegner  
Jarod Rogers  
Jessica Rogers  
Christy Rothen  
Tim Roschrough  
Abby Ross



Lora Rosser  
Holly Rudd  
Patricia Rush  
Crystal Ruzo  
Sharon Samples  
Stephen Sanders



Stacey Schlueter  
Chris Schorn  
Rachel Scott  
Jessica Sharpe  
Mary Shelton  
Matthew Shockey



Justin Wainscott,  
Julie Ann  
Stephan,  
Suzanne Frost,  
and Al da Silva  
have fun during  
the fall retreat at  
Pickwick Lake.





# You Know That You Are in College When....

- You think that 11 a.m. is the crack of dawn. - **Martha Koellein**
- It's 1 a.m., you have two papers to write, but instead you go play James Bond. - **Caleb Trent**
- You stay up all night to register for classes. - **Melissa Ward**
- You have plasma days marked on your calendar. - **Kevin Ward**

## Freshmen



Holly Shores  
Josh Short  
Kristin Shurpert  
Michelle Sidwell  
Ananda Simpelo  
Leigh Ann Smalley



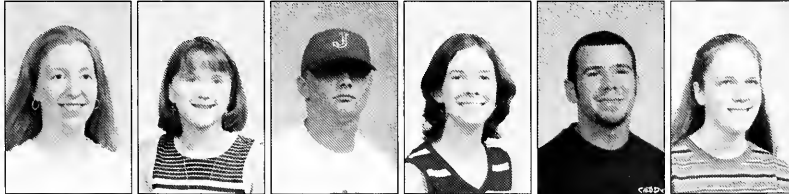
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Lee Stanfill  
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Julie Ann Stephan  
Kellie Stevens



Julie Stewart  
Kimberly Stewart  
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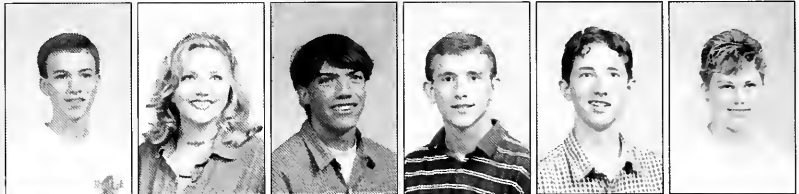
# Freshmen

Jessica Fielder found out quickly that the best place to study was not in the Library.



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Jonathan Teague  
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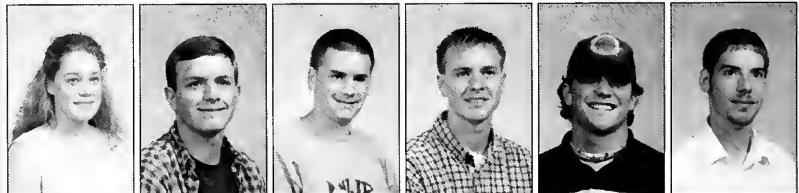
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Lauren Urschaltz  
Nicole Vandanser  
Adam Vaughn



Jocelyn Vaughn  
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Shilo Velasquez  
Lacey Venson  
Alton Verbist  
Spring Vickery



Angel Vogtner  
Justin Van Beiren  
Robert Wadley  
Joshua Wagner  
Justin Wainscott  
Travis Wales



Monica Walter  
Daniel Walton  
Kevin Ward  
Melissa Ward  
Bethany Wardlow  
Chuck Washburn





Zack Waters  
 Mary Way  
 Armond Webb  
 Heather Westbrook  
 Jessica Wheatstone  
 Angela White

# Freshmen



Matt Williams  
 Sunnie Williams  
 Stephen Wilson  
 Anne Woesch  
 Marlo Wood  
 Allison Wright



Jeff Wyatt  
 Rachel Wyatt  
 Emily Yarbro  
 Ashley Young  
 Rebecca Young  
 Aung Zaw

## Freshmen Council:



Row 1: Autumn Alcott, Cassie Howie, Nicole Gilchrist, Allison Wright  
 Row 2: Sarah Philips, Sarah Jane Head, Jessica Fielder, Maria Cruz  
 Melody Maxwell Row 3: Graham Hillard, John Jensen, Melody  
 Foropoulos, Stephen Wilson, Justin Phillips, Justin Kropf, Daniel Davis



# ORGANIZAT



There's something for everyone at Union. We are a group of students with **INTERESTS** that range from those that are the most usual to the most unusual. Having a place to belong is what makes many students call Union home. Students quickly learn how busy the life of a college student is when trying to balance academics, jobs, organizations, and social lives. With **OPPORTUNITIES** in the various clubs in academics and special interest organizations, students can participate in activities like clowns, student government **AND** so many more. The Greek system at Union grows stronger each year, giving Union Greeks **THE** true **MEANING** of sisterhood and brotherhood through the various national sororities and fraternities. At Union, though we're all so different, we can all find a little bit **OF** something in common. Whether it be where we're coming from or where we're going, **UNION** organizations give students more than they'd expect.

## Alpha Chi

Alpha Chi is a national honor society composed of small private institutions from all 50 states. Membership is open to juniors and seniors who rank in the top 10 percent of their class. The purpose of Alpha Chi is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those who achieve such distinction.



**Row 1:** Miriam Miller, Lili Myatt, Karen Green, Christy Lawson, Christian Kinney, Shauna Somermeyer, Ashley Kemp, Samantha Sloan, Carrie Teague; **Row 2:** Suzanne Frost, Lindsey Crain, Sherrell Anderson, Ellen Melson, Hilary Williams, Misty Yow, Lorrie Johnson, JoAnn Green, Carrie Barger, Amy Cooley, Janet Grose, Paul Jackson; **Row 3:** William Cox, Lee Tankersley, David Meadows, Brandon Byrd, Pete Harris, Jason Darby, Aaron Nachtigal, David Chisolm, Brad Hambrick, Mark Rager, William Marshall

## Alpha Psi Omega

Alpha Psi Omega is a national academic theater fraternity. Students earn points by working in or with the theater in different capacities. When a student earns enough points he or she is initiated into the fraternity. The Alpha Psi Omega chapter on campus is Beta Mu. They host the annual Cafe Espresso Bongo and other theater activities. Students in Alpha Psi Omega are serious performers, creators and educators seeking to further dramatics in the world.



**Row 1:** Jennifer Shearon, Melinda Wiens, Jill Hutchison, Mary Catherine Bard, Leah Young, Abby Thomas; **Row 2:** Jonathan Hickey, Ben Wilkinson, James Nolen, Adam Hasty, Peter Hawkins, Jeremy Hawkins

## Ambassadors

Student Ambassadors is the student group that officially represents Union. Enrollment Services selects these individuals through an application and interview process. Selected students must be well-rounded, achieving, outgoing students who will give campus tours and represent Union at various functions. The Ambassador program is in its charter year and takes the place of the former Student Foundations program. Wearing cardinal colored shirts and jackets, these students represent the wide variety of student personalities and are Union's official ambassadors.



**Row 1:** Melody Foropoulos, Carla Rose, Debby Campbell, Rachel Wilson, Misty Yow; **Row 2:** Damien Nethery, Corey Cain, Lee Tankersley, Joshua Trent, Chad Shankle

## American Chemical Society

The American Chemical Society Student Affiliates Chapter offers opportunities for chemical science students to become familiar with their parent organization, obtain experience in preparing and presenting technical material, instill a professional pride in chemical sciences and foster an awareness of the responsibilities and challenges of the modern chemist.



**Row 1:** Garrison Smith, Chris Burke, Hilary Williams, Misty Yow, Sarah Shaub, Stefan Antoniou; **Row 2:** Ken Barker, Brent Morris, Stephanie Mabry, Tristin Hall, Desha Douglas, Carrie Teague, Sharon Samples, Heidi Canal, Melissa Yau, Stacey Schueter; **Row 3:** Lee Nicholson, Russ Shelaburger, Jeremy Crain, Doug Forbes, Dr. Randy Johnston, Jeffrey Fletcher, Luis Pozzi; **Row 4:** Stacy Black, Beth Todd, Amy Williams

## American Choral Directors Association

American Choral Directors Association was founded in 1959 as a non-profit professional organization for choral musicians. This is the charter year for Union's chapter of ACDA. ACDA member organization include schools, colleges, universities, churches, community groups and industrial groups. They hold monthly forums with the goal of promoting professional music.



**Row 1:** Audrey Simpelo, Lance Respass, Shana Cox; **Row 2:** Jill Hutchinson, Carrie Welch, Amanda Fuller, Bethany Thrower; **Row 3:** Kevin Marcell, Tom Medley, Ronnie Douglas, Dr. Andy Roby

## Art Union

The *Art Union* is open to all students interested in the visual arts. Its purpose is to encourage student involvement in and awareness of the visual arts. Students may participate in a variety of art related service projects and social events. The *Art Union* aids on campus organizations as well as work with the Jackson community.



**Row 1:** Deborah Dickerson, Kelly Carter, Robyn Jones, Jonathan Gillette, Sarah Smith, Sarah Merillat, Susan VanHoose; **Row 2:** Brian Glas, Greg Picard, Tim Mercer, Michael Atkisson, Ron Picard, Ryan Schuremann, Joshua Wagner





## Association for Computing Machinery

The purpose of the student chapter of ACM is to promote an increased knowledge of the science, design, development, construction, languages and applications of modern computing machinery. It is open to students who have an interest in computing machinery and its applications. ACM is designed to provide a means of communication between people with an interest in computing machinery.



**Row 1:** Melissa Culpepper, Brandi Faughn, Melissa Moore, Ms. Edge, Denika Echols, Keeley Woods, Dr. Wilms; **Row 2:** Aaron Hardee, Sam Green, Fred Palmidén, Tim Newell, Elvis Ochiegn, Brad Seaton; **Row 3:** Christopher Staggs, Clifton Sain, Dwayne Pfaff, Steven Krawczyk, Nathan McCrum, Wes Plunk, Mr. Brinton

## Baptist Student Nursing Fellowship

The BSNF is a non-denominational student led organization devoted to uniting all nursing students in the common bond of Christ. The BSNF offers opportunities for ministry and fellowship through community involvement. They have a nursing home ministry and participate in nursing-orientated GO trips.



**Row 1:** Joann Green, Brandon Teettaller; **Row 2:** Leslie Jones, Melanie Richardson, Patrea Glover, Brandy Thatcher, Sharon Burns; **Row 3:** Suzanne Hamrick, Karen Green, Krystal Burrows, Christy Lawson, Wendy Wolfe

## Black Christian Fellowship

The Black Christian Fellowship is designed to bring black students together for the purpose of praising and glorifying God. BCF desires to reach out to all students on campus and is accepting of all people. Their main desire is to build up strong Christian black students so that they may leave Union reaching their community for Christ.



**Row 1:** Clifton Sain, Shanita Ogburn, Monique Coby, Amy Montgomery, Resheda Forbes

## Broadcasting Society

The Broadcasting Society provides students with an opportunity to enhance their knowledge of the requirements of a career in broadcasting. It provides special lectures and programs by professionals in the broadcasting field to increase the knowledge of students about the field and creates opportunities for contact with these individuals. The national affiliation offers literature and opportunities for attending regional, state and national conventions.



**Row 1:** Mykle Harchfield, Meredith Elloitt, Polly Pierce, Brooke McDowell, Johnna Green, Kristy Onsby; **Row 2:** Troy Moling, Justin Phillips, Adam Hasty, Brent Green, Johnny Bost, Parker Lombard



## Cardinal and Cream



**Left to Right:** Andrea Aldridge, Autumn Alcott, Stephanie Lim, Jennifer Korman

The Cardinal and Cream is the official campus newspaper. It is written and edited by students under the guidance of a faculty advisor. Staff positions are provided for students who are interested in the field of journalism. The campus newspaper enhances the experiences of students in writing, layout, editing, photography, advertising and journalism administration.



**Row 1:** Jason Varnick, Paul Tipton; **Row 2:** Meredith Montgomery, Bethany Thrower, Jonathan Shearon, Faith White, Stacie Wright, Jill Hutchinson, Shana Cox, Jennifer Williams; **Row 3:** David Pearce, Tom Medley, Josh Kautz

## Handbells

The Handbell Choir rings literature for 3-5 octaves of English handbells. They learn and use various ringing and damping techniques as well as special effects. They perform in churches, schools and occasionally on campus. Admission to the group is done by audition.



## Hands for Jesus

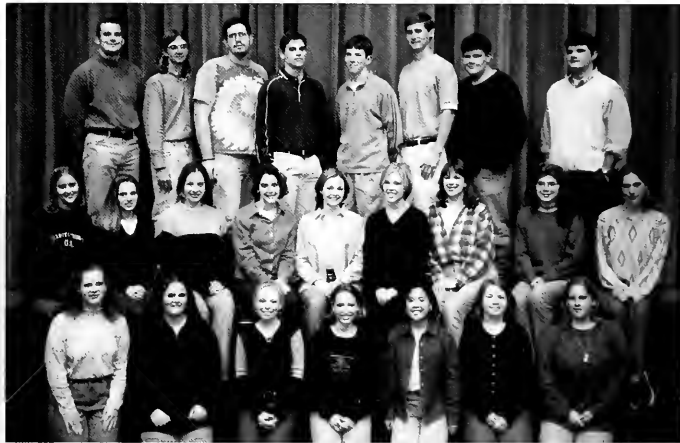
Hands for Jesus is a sign language team that ministers primarily to the deaf. They are a ministry team that uses creative movement and signing to communicate the truth of God's love to people.



**Row 1:** Kristen Johnson, Angie Miller, Angela Conger; **Row 2:** Sandy Lester, Julie Jones, Courtney Stafford, Erin Foley, Angela Celzo; **Row 3:** Jennifer Hall, Christin White, Jennifer Rivers

## Honors Student Association

The Honors Student Association (HSA) is composed of students in the Interdisciplinary Studies Program. Its purpose is to provide an environment which encourages student scholarship while also promoting experimental learning. This is accomplished through discussion-oriented classes, special topics, festivals, inter-regional honors forums and conferences and travel. HSA reaches out to the community by working in the soup kitchen and buying Christmas gifts for children. Every four years they take a trip to Oxford.



**Row 1:** Malinda Upton, Tiffany Keen, Alison Sawyers, Laural Barkley, Melissa Yau, Mary Mount, Melinda Glas; **Row 2:** Melody Maxwell, April Schroeder, Allyson Diberto, Gayla Hake, Amber Frey, Jolie Seaborn, Erin McCrum, Autumn Alcott, Beth Osborne; **Row 3:** Brian Glas, Adam McCollum, Scottie Jughes, Nathan Verbist, Ross Parker, Davie Moore, Josh Short, Drew Nichols





**Row 1:** Tiffany Warren, Erin Lawrence, Tia Daniel, Amanda McCarrick; **Row 2:** Sarah Shaub, Sheryl McGee, Kristi McElroy, Jenny Middleton, Emily Herring

## Hurt Dorm Council

The Hurt Complex Dorm Council is a governing body of residents of the women's complex. They are responsible for managing complex funds, representing residents' opinions, and planning and organizing various activities. This council is made up of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, fire marshal, senators, and resident life board members. The directors serve as the council advisors.



**Row 1:** Jackie Williams, Misty Smith, Chris Mills, Rebekah Barrett, Chris League, Kress Jones, Mary Bea Skinner, Kyle Hopper, Jarred Morgan

## Impact

IMPACT is a drama ministry team with the primary function as proclaiming the name of Jesus in a unique and exciting way. Oftentimes the members are taken out of their comfort zones in playing certain roles like barking or acting like children to dramatize skits.

## Inter-Fraternity Council

The Inter-Fraternity Council is composed of three delegates from each fraternity on campus. They work to maintain fraternity life and inter-fraternity relations within the university.



**Row 1:** Jason Bennett, David Chisolm, Kyle Wiltshire; **Row 2:** Michael Norton, Clay Williams, Bryan Jerry, Justin Phillips, Stephen Forrester

## JOY

JOY is an all-ladies singing ensemble sponsored by Student Ministries. They travel most weekends to area churches, conferences, and youth events. In concerts, favorite hymns and contemporary Christian music are combined. The main goal is to share the love of Jesus Christ through song and testimony.



**Row 1:** Shauna Somermeyer, Elizabeth Hume, Annalie Celzo, Elizabeth Coleman, Angela Garrow; **Not Pictured:** Sheryl McGee



## Lest We Forget



**Row 1:** Mary Tullis, Valerie Volner; **Row 2:** Tiffany Keen, Julie Griggs, Mary Mount; **Row 3:** Mykle Harchfield, Stephanie Morris, Natalie Bennett, Mandy Boggs; **Not pictured:** Wes Plunk

The Lest We Forget yearbook staff was made up of 10 members this year, including four new members. This group has experience with journalism. They work tirelessly to create a memorable yearbook. To be on the yearbook staff an individual must have previous experience or a desire to learn new things and a willingness to put hours of work into the process. This group of dedicated individuals spends hours designing, editing and taking photographs for YOUR yearbook.



**Row 1:** Beth Morgan, Misty Smith, Andrea McDaniel, Heath Farmer, Patrea Glover, Michael O'neal; **Row 2:** Ashley Craggs, Amber Otey, Jennifer Hardin, Brad White, Al Chandler, John Whiteside, Ernie Jackson, Jason Hurt, Rachel Evans, Lisa Sipes, Andy Pettigrew; **Row 3:** Tonya Steinman, Melissa Baldwin, Danielle Henley, Steve Moses, Suzanne Frost, Anna Tehnet; **Row 4:** Caleb Trent, Beth Chapman, Martha Koellein, Kristin Wicker, Carrie Teague, Lili Myatt, Hope Weaver, Lauren Tucker, Jami Dunn; **Row 5:** Jenny Middleton, Natalee Nicholson, Natalie Nelson, Cassandra Watts, Nathan Sawyer, Jay Watson, Kyle Wiltshire, Drew Bryan, William Marshall, Andrea Cummings, Kyle Hopper, Greg Jackson, Steven Chipman, Joshua Trent

## LIFE Leaders

The LIFE Group leaders are selected through an application and interview process conducted by Campus Ministries. A wide variety of leaders are chosen to try to meet the different needs of incoming freshman. These individuals are paired up to lead their LIFE group throughout the fall semester and/or year. Each group meets weekly to do activities, share concerns, support each other in prayer and go through Bill Hybil's *Who You Are When No-one's Looking* or other selected materials.



## McAfee Dorm Council

The McAfee Complex Dorm Council is a governing body of residents for the McAfee complex. They are responsible for managing complex funds, representing residents' opinions, and planning and organizing various activities. This council is made up of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, fire marshal, senators, and resident life board members. The directors serve as the council advisors.



**Left to Right:** Melody Foropoulos, Meg Griffin, Mindy Sellers, Tiffany Keen, Christy Holley, Paul Tipton, Jennifer Merwin, Dan Herr; **Not pictured:** Stacy Wildes

## Ministerial Association

The Ministerial Association is dedicated to communicating the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Monthly meetings are led by area pastors who share their hearts and encourage the students. Ministerial Association members are involved in many activities such as Ministerial Association nights where members preach in several different churches within a Baptist Association. Prayer meetings are held twice a month. The Ministerial Association is an exciting and challenging club that fosters relationships with Christ.



**Row 1:** Patrick Whyte, Joey Marshall, William Marshall, Jacob Kitchens, Michael Troxel, Shane Groves; **Row 2:** Lee Tankersley, Al Chandler, Ryan West, Andy Ivey, Chris League, Ralph Machio



## Mu Kappa



**Row 1:** Malinda Upton, Scott Norton, Christie Fain, Aaron Campbell, Sarah Jackson; **Row 2:** Jonny Bost, Rachel Williams, Becky Babcock, Rebekah Coleman

Mu Kappa is a fellowship chapter of Mu Kappa International and is open to any students who are children of foreign missionaries. This group meets and shares common concerns and experiences. Their purpose is to support and encourage each other as missionary kids. Members of Mu Kappa become family for one another. Area churches adopt the MKs. The MKs go to their adoptive churches and various churches around the community to share about missions.



**Row 1:** Audrey Simpelo, Amanda Fuller, Wendy Nolen, Kelli White; **Row 2:** Jessica Rogers, Carrie Audra Welch, Bethany Thrower, Lori Grissom; **Row 3:** Kevin Marcell, Adam Clark

## Music Educators National Conference

Music Educators Nations Conference (MENC) is a national professional music association for students who wish to teach music. Music students can earn awards and scholarships through this organization. MENC provides information and resources for musicians. It offers a forum for the exchange of ideas through publications and meetings. The goal of MENC is to promote music as an essential area of academic study.



## National Student Nurses Association

National Student Nurses Association's purpose is to assume responsibility for contributing to nursing education in order to provide for the highest quality of health care. It provides programs of professional interest and aids in the development of the whole person. It is open to Pre-Nursing and Baptist Student Nursing students.



**Row 1:** Shannon Kennedy, JoAnn Green, Patrea Glover, Sharon Burns, Anna Horner, Christi Carter; **Row 2:** Suzanne Hamrick, Karen Green, Brandon Teetfaller, Christy Lawson, Wendy Wolfe

## Panhellenic Council

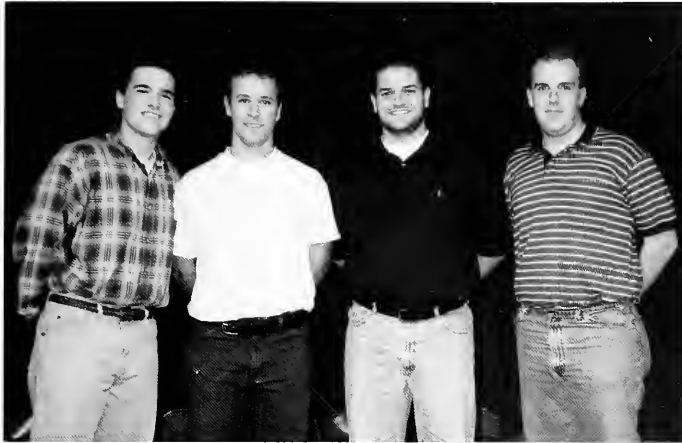
The Panhellenic Council is composed of three members from each of the university sororities: Kappa Delta, Chi-Omega and Zeta Tau Alpha. The council is designed to maintain sorority life and inter-sorority relations within the university.



**Row 1:** Rachel Evans; **Row 2:** Beth Chapman, Mindy Sellers, Annie Laurie Crain, Davina Harms



## Phi Alpha Theta



**Left to Right:** Brandon Byrd, Matthew West, Billy Mauldin, David Meadows

Phi Alpha Theta is an International Honor Society in History. The organization sponsors a cook-out in the spring as well as a trip to the annual Phi Alpha Theta regional conference. Membership qualifications include a 3.1 average in 12 or more hours of history and a 3.0 overall scholastic average.



**Row 1:** Allison Tignor, Emily Ellison, Ashley Kemp, Sabrina Childress, Holly Tignor, Beth Hill; **Row 2:** Becca Simpson, Stephanie Sharp, Stefanie Morris, Stacy Veatch, Erin Sandstrom, Amy Cooley; **Row 3:** Cindy White, Matthew Jennings, Ryan Mitchell, Jonathan Hitt, Timothy Byington, Bryan Allison, Ben Hendren; **Row 4:** Jeffrey Owen, Kevin Bonee, Jason Avants, Kevin Little, David Chisolm, Stephen Forrester

## Phi Beta Lambda

Phi Beta Lambda is a national business service fraternity whose membership is open to all business majors and minors. The fraternity promotes business leadership and economic education and serves to better prepare students to enter the marketplace. Union's chapter meets monthly with guest speakers from various business fields who address current topics of business.



## Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is a professional music fraternity that is open to musicians and serious patrons of music. The primary purposes of the fraternity are to promote high musical ideals and true brotherhood among the musically minded. They organize and contribute to a number of activities throughout the year.



**Row 1:** Bethany Thrower, Lori Grissom, Nancy Mathis; **Row 2:** Isaac Lake, Scott Norton, Jason Varnick, Sean Lankford, Jacob Kitchens, Sean Richardson, Jeremy Bishop; **Row 3:** Dr. Terry McRoberts, Joshua Kautz, Barry Britt, Tim Fain, Aaron Campbell, Jonathan Shearon

## Proclamation

Proclamation is an audition only group that sings for many occasions each semester. They sing for special functions on campus and in the community. They perform for Freshman Fridays, occasionally for chapel and for many churches and functions in surrounding communities. While on tour to surrounding areas each semester they take out a little time to participate in a fun activity.



**Row 1:** Joshua Drake, Brian Scott, Lance Respass; **Row 2:** Shauna Cox, Bethany Thrower, Sarah Flewwellin, Laura Crabb, Joy Spurlin, Paula Jones, Christina Crouse; **Row 3:** Kari Touchatt, Jennifer Williams, Ben Wilkinson, Jonathan Hickey, Aaron Campbell, Michael Norton, Adam Clark, Dr. Roby

## Public Relations Society

Union's Public Relations Society was founded in the spring of 1997. The organization is responsible for handling the publicity for special events such as: "Don't Drink the Water", the Andrew Jackson Elementary School Festival and "I've Heard That Song." They also attend the National Conference for the Public Relations Student Society of America.



**Row 1:** Leah Cashion, Tracy Locasto, Mario Cobo, Sarah Padelford, Gina Barnett; **Row 2:** Amy Wiman, Debbie Campbell, Marcia Bartenhagen, Lyndsey Hyde, Kelli Ross, Stephanie Lim

## Rutledge History Club

The Rutledge Honorary History Club is a group of students interested in cultivating the study of history. The club sponsors a cook-out and an awards banquet as well as various activities throughout the year. Membership is extended to history majors and minors and to an elect group of students who have finished three semester hours in history with an average of at least 3.0 while expressing an interest in the study of history.



**Row 1:** Erin Sandstrom, Malinda Upton, Melissa Culpepper, Sarah Shaub, Leah Short, Heather Gardner, Maggie Bible, Mary Tullis, Lantana Wood; **Row 2:** Jonathan Hitt, Thomas Young, David Meadows, Jeremy Crain, Sam Green, Jason Avants, Matt West, Andrew Vukadinovich, Daniel Davis, Dr. Terry Lindley, Patrick Whyte

## Senate

The Senate is composed of the presidents and vice presidents of the classes and representatives from approved campus organizations, the resident complexes and commuter students. The members attend Wednesday night meetings every other week to voice the concerns of the organization they represent. The representatives vote on various issues and report important information back to their group.



**Row 1:** Ashley Kern, Carrie Welch, Mary Tullis, Autumn Alcott, Andrea McDaniel, Ellen Melson, Nicole Gilchrist, Cassie Howle; **Row 2:** Jenny Middleton, Jessica Fielder, Melody Maxwell, April Schroeder, Sarah Phillips, Melody Foropoulos, Carla Rose, Ellie Evans, Danielle Henley, Suzanne Frost, Misty Yow, Christian Kinney, Tiffany Warren, Sarah Shaub, Tina Jones; **Row 3:** Lili Myatt, Dan Shackelford, Caleb Trent, Andy Lyons, Ken Barker, Joshua Trent, Justin Kropf, Graham Hillard, Carrie Barger, Angela Garrow; **Row 4:** Michael O'Neal, Jennifer McClearn, Andy Pettigrew, Jonathan Hitt, Daniel Davis, Matt Thomson, Justin Phillips, Neal Rager, John Jensen, Donald Edmondson, Kevin Carroll, Stephen Forrester.

## Sigma Alpha Iota

Sigma Alpha Iota is an international music fraternity. Union's chapter, Gamma Sigma, is composed of women who are taking classes for a Bachelor of Music Degree or the Bachelor of Arts Degree with a major or minor in music. Membership is based on excellence in scholarship and music ability.



**Row 1:** Carrie Welch, Stacie Wright; **Row 2:** Rebecca Roode, Nancy Mathis, Shauna Cox, Faith White, Christina Crouse, Paula Jones; **Row 3:** Jennifer Williams, Leah Foust, Bethany Thrower, Julie Wilson, Erin Sandstrom, Lori Grissom



## Sigma Tau Delta

This national English honor society recognizes students who have realized accomplishments in either the English language or literature. Sigma Tau Delta is open to English majors and minors who have completed at least three semesters of university study and two course in literature with a B average. "Sincerity, Truth, Design" is their motto.



**Row 1:** Kimberly Harvey, Melissa Sanders, Ashley Kemp, Shauna Somermeyer, Mrs. Byrd, Malinda Upton, Elaine Cherry, Rachel Evans, Mrs. Sutton, Dr. McMillian; **Row 2:** Dr. Grose, Brandon Byrd, Rick Solt, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Stanley, Jonathan O'Brien, Dr. Bingham, Dr. Richardson, Kristy Griffin

## Sigma Zeta

Sigma Zeta is a national honorary society whose members excel in areas of math and science. In addition to regular meetings, the organization participates in various social, academic and community functions. Membership advantages include recognition for academic achievements with the Sigma Zeta honor award. They participate in nationally recognized research projects. This participation is a means to work in similar areas of interest in cooperation with different colleges.



**Row 1:** Elizabeth Matthews, Sarah Shaub, Christy Lawson, Carrie Teague, Misty Yow, Hillary Williams, Melissa Yau; **Row 2:** April Webb, Brent Morris, Chris Burke, Dr. Huggins, Steve Chipman, Jeff Jones, Stephanie Mabry; **Row 3:** Kellee Berry, Dr. McMahan, Dr. Wofford, Doug Forbes, Dr. Norton, Luis Pozzi



## Singers

To join the Union University Singers a student must have spent one year in the Chorus or get the permission of the instructor and audition for a position. The Singers learn a variety of music during the year and go on an annual spring tour.



**Row 1:** Shauna Cox, Lori Presley, Joy Spurlin, Keri Touchatt, Elizabeth Hume, Stacie Wright, Bethany Thrower, Courtney Vickers, Audrey Simpelo, Kristi McElroy; **Row 2:** Christina Crouse, Gretchen Lowery, Paula Jones, Laura Crabb, Lori Grissom, Kelli White, Holly Walker, Jill Hutchison, Faith White, Wendy Nolen, Angela Garrow; **Row 3:** Rebecca Roode, Lance Respass, Aaron Campbell, Jeremy Scott, Brian Scott, Chad Wilson, Joshua Drake, Adam Clark, Sam Green, Sarah Flewwellin; **Row 4:** Jennifer Williams, Ronnie Douglas, Josh Kautz, Michael Norton, Caleb Trent, Jonathan Hickey, Tom Medley, Ben Wilkinson, Kellie Cooper

## Society of Collegiate Journalists

Society of Collegiate Journalists is a professional organization for Communications students. In order to be considered for SCJ a student must have at least a 3.0 grade point average. They also have to show superior work on a student publication such as the *Cardinal and Cream* or *Lest We Forget*. Union's chapter seeks to promote communication arts for the department and university. They hold Journalism film festivals and publish the new publication *Some Cute Junk*.



**Left to Right:** Mykle Harchfield, Tiffany Keen, Natalie Bennett; **Not Pictured:** Stephen Phillips, Stephanie Lim





## S.T.E.A.

The Student Tennessee Education Association of Union University is affiliated with national and state associations. The purpose of the organization is to interest capable young men and women in education as a lifelong career. And to develop, among those students who are preparing to be teachers, an understanding of the teaching profession through professional associations.



**Row 1:** Shannon Reid, Kristy Smith, Malinda Upton, Beth Guy, Audrey Simpelo, Phyllis Robinson; **Row 2:** Tom Young, Tina Jones, Becky Patterson, Natalee Nicholson, Ashleigh Odom, LaResa Harkness, David Meadows

## Student Activities Council

The Student Activities Council (SAC) works hard to provide service and entertainment for the whole student body. The council is a select group of students representing the student body. The main objective of SAC is to provide a balanced and meaningful program of recreational activities for the students, faculty and staff.



**Row 1:** Eric Ellerbrook, Jolie Seaborn, Michelle Sensing, Debby Campbell, Andy Lyons, Heather Hornsby, Christian Kinney, Kim Drewry, Jonathan Gillette; **Row 2:** Jordan Slater, Bradley Smith, Claris Gilmore, Hilary Williams, Ashley Vickery, Jaime Sweitzer, Lori Hobbs, Wendy Nolen, Janelle Sou, Tia Daniel, Tonya Hale, Sam Green, Shane Groves, Joshua Wagner; **Row 3:** Joey Marshall, Paul Vandiver, Ginger Swann, Cristy Thomas, Cara Danner, Jessica Sharpe, Rachel Scott, Julie Jones, Stefanie Morris, Sarah Vick, Jennifer Burt, Robin Popplewell

## Student Alumni Association

The Student Alumni Association serves as a link between the university, the students, the community and the alumni of Union University. SAA sponsors many activities throughout the year. These activities include: homecoming, mudball, freshman orientation/gathering and various alumni events. Membership is limited, but any full-time student can submit an application for membership.



**Row 1:** Becky Patterson, Leah Short, Suzanne Williamson, Julie Winfield, Melissa Murley; **Row 2:** Gary Williams, Meredith Bailey, Rachel Wilson, Lisa Williams, Lisa Brewer

## Student Association of Social Work

The purpose of Student Association of Social Work is to promote an interest in and an awareness of the profession social work. Hands on interaction through community help activities is also a fundamental part of their goal. SASW strives to help others help themselves.



**Row 1:** Maggie Bible, Sheree Mays, Trinity Gray, Misty Tummins, Ashley Craggs, Angela Celzo, Pamela Stewart; **Row 2:** Ashley Silcox, Janna Morel, Nikki Chalk, Mary Anne Poe, Becky Babcock, Twana Miller, Gretchen Odom

## Student Government Association

SGA is the official "voice" in institutional affairs of the student body at Union. The SGA officers lead bi-monthly Wednesday night meetings comprised of all the class officers and senators from the different organizations on campus. SGA is there for the student body to call on with suggestions for improving campus life.



**Left to Right:** Caleb Trent, Phillip Robison, Rob Allen, Matt Thomson, Annie Laurie Crane, Matt West, Stephen Phillips, Jonathan Stewart

## Symphonic Band

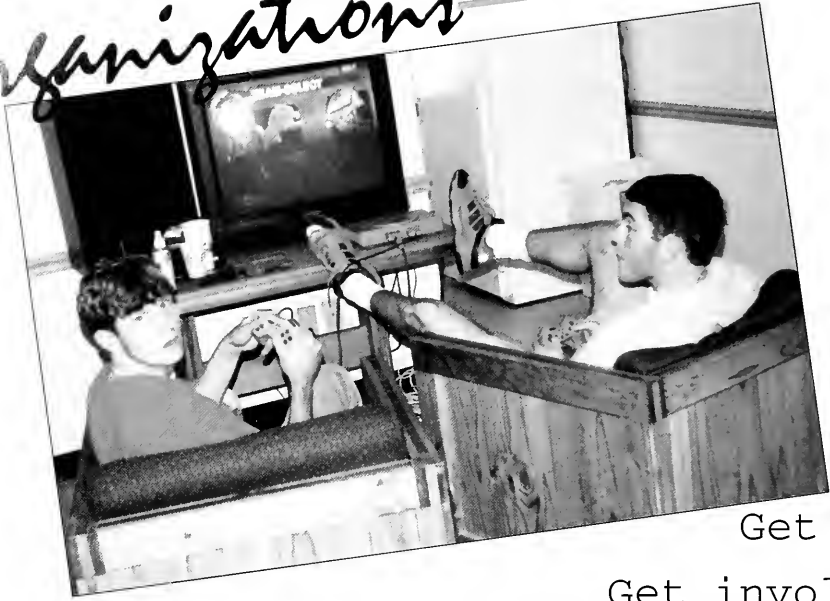
The symphonic band is comprised of 40 to 50 musicians who share one common interest: a love for music. This ensemble is open to any student who plays an instrument and is willing to dedicate four hours a week to rehearsal. The symphonic band plays for some Monday chapel services and various large events. They complete each semester with a final concert for music appreciators.



**Row 1:** Amanda Coffman, Leah Foust, Jessica Lackey, Leah Short, Cathie Scarbrough, Tristin Hall, Heather Danley, Toni Ann Heidinger, Meridith Bell, Rachel Turner, Alissa Ramey, Becky White, Julie Boyer; **Row 2:** Dr. David McClune, Sharon Pilon, Sean Lankford, Laural Smith, Barry Britt, Jason Varnick, Jason Smith, Jeremy Scott, Ruth Shaver, Jennifer Johnson, Emily Parks, Meredith Montgomery; **Row 3:** Cory Coward, Abby Ross, Jessica Rogers, Beth Osborne, Jeanna Young, Michael Fisher, Jarod Rogers, Jonathan Hickey, Tim Fain, Matt Compton



# Organizations



Get out.  
Get involved.

## TISL

Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature gives college students across Tennessee the opportunity to come together once a year at the state capitol, in Nashville, for the purpose of writing and debating legislation. To participate in this mock state legislature each student must write a bill. This was Union's third consecutive year to compete in TISL. Members of the Union delegation won several awards at this year's competition.



**Row 1:** Stephen Phillips, Matt West, April Schroeder, Caleb Trent; **Row 2:** Ellen Melson, Annie Laurie Crane, Mary Tullis, Andrea McDaniel

## Youthtown Mentors



**Row 1:** Jennifer Baze, Heidi Canal, Ashley Curtis, Jenny Solem; **Row 2:** Jason Smith, Christy Littleton, Stacey Schlueter, Sharon Samples, Brandon Byrd

Youthtown is a residential children's home for kids located outside of Jackson. The Youthtown mentors go there twice a week to visit with the kids. The girls play with the younger kids who live in cottages; while the guys go to the dorms where the teens live to play football, talk, etc. The purpose of the mentors is to give the kids a chance to relate to some people from outside their home who will be models for them. Christianity is stressed each Tuesday in a time of praise and worship. This ministry team is open to anyone who passes a background check.



**Row 1:** Miriam Miller, Emily Ellison, Keeley Woods, Becca Simpson, Tina McMurry, Danielle Nicholas, Beth Taylor, Erica Shankle; **Row 2:** Stephanie Sharp, Steven Agee, Stephen Eldridge, Todd Patton, Nathan Jones, Justin Hassell, Bryan Allison, Tim Byington, Jason Darby, Mr. Tom Proctor

## Accounting Club

The Accounting Club goals are to increase interest in the field of accounting, create professional development opportunities for accounting majors and minors, and promote community involvement. Membership is open to all Accounting majors and minors.

## Chapel Choir

Chapel Choir is an audition only group that is open to any major. Its primary purpose is to sing special music for Monday chapels. They also sing at select churches in the area that request them to sing for a service. Each semester they sing in a combined concert with the various musical organizations on campus. This year they participated, along with Singers, Proclamation and the Jackson Symphony, in *Christmas Gift to the Community*.



**Row 1:** Cassie Paddock, Rebecca Carlson, Emily Porter, Alisha Toy, DJ Lee, Michael Robinson V, Drew Drace, Dawn Powers, Bethany Norvell, Lesley Morley, Sharon Pilon, Heather Hobbs, Kim Drewry; **Row 2:** Nichole White, Ashley Entzminger, Becca Smith, Mandy Fuller, Christie Eavenson, Kristi Martin, Carrie Audra Welch, Laura Ingle, Willow Moellman, Keri Baumgardner, Amanda Heinz; **Row 3:** Amy Collier, Lana New, Cassie Howle, Brett Clark, Julie Griggs, Angel Vogner, Kimberly Holmes, Jennifer Hooper, Melissa Ward, Tonya Hale; **Row 4:** Olivia Behrens, Miranda Roegner, Isaac Lake, Paul Houser, Jacob Kitchens, David Pearce, Leah Cashion; **Row 5:** Jason Carroll, Michael Fisher, Kevin Marcell, Jeremy Bishop, Mrs. Karen Dale

## Circle K

Circle K International is a collegiate service organization that focuses on service, leadership and fellowship. The purpose of the group is to realize mankind's potential and to help people in the community. They do activities such as a scavenger hunt to gather items to donate to charities in the community.



**Row 1:** Matt West, Michael Dennison, Gabe Hart, Sara Fender, Jennifer Daniel, Claire Tinkle; **Row 2:** Jennifer McClearen, Mykle Harchfield, Samantha Sloan, Beth Guy, Ashley Wallace; **Row 3:** Matt Adams, Kyle Wiltshire, Justin Jones, Matt Thompson, Tim Byington, Brian Freeman

## Jazz Band

The jazz band is a small ensemble that rehearses each week for two hours. The band is comprised of both majors and non-majors. They play a variety of musical styles ranging from swing to Latin rock. In addition to a concert at the end of each semester the jazz band performs for other campus events such as Freshman Fridays and Campus Day.



**Row 1:** Faith White, Leah Foust, Barry Britt, Sean Lankford, Jason Varnick, Nancy Mathis, Jeremy Scott, Tim Newell, Todd Lewis; **Row 2:** Seth Compton, Jonathan Shearon, Sarah Flewellin, Jeanna Young, Beth Osborne, Tim Fain, Jonathan Hickey, John Windham

## KME

Kappa Mu Epsilon is a national mathematics honor society. To be eligible for membership a student must have completed at least three mathematics courses, including Calculus I, with a high grade point average. The chapter organizes programs pertaining to topics of interest in mathematics and in mathematical issues within the sciences.



**Row 1:** Lindsey Crain, Cathie Scarbrough, Jenny Middleton, Hannah Shelley; **Row 2:** Stefan Antoniou, Richard Dehn, Dwayne Jennings, Jan Wilms, Matt Lunsford, Don Richard



The organization section took many hours of hard work to put together. Photographers **Mykle Harchfield** and **Mandy Boggs** took all the pictures for the section. **Julie Griggs** typed many of the names for the group photos. I, **Tiffany Keen**, designed and edited the section. Thanks to all the students who took time to help identify people in various photographs. Thanks to the fraternities and sororities for donating photos and indentifying their members. We apologize for any groups that were left out of the section.

I also had some extra pages to work with so I added a profiles section at the end of the organizations section. **Laura Rector** organized and wrote the profiles. I designed the profile pages.



**Ben Wilkinson** calmly waits for his next scene in "Don't Drink the Water."







# Picture perfect...

These two students participated in the volleyball intramurals.



# ATQ



Below: **Dave Chisolm** and **Aaron Wilson** talk to a prospective member.



# Alpha Tau Omega



Left: These guys strained in the annual battle of tug-of-war.



**Row 1:** Heath Bush, Wes Crossett, John Mitchell, Paul Rickey, Shannon McKinnie, Michael Smith, Bart Lindsey, Paul Vandiver, Josh Tinsley, Pat Cruse; **Row 2:** Brian Shelley, Jon Stovall, Ben Hendren, Ben King, Lewis Graham, Ryan Pflaster, Justin Jones, Jon Ridens; **Row 3:** Steven Agee, Willie Trevathan, Damen Juckett, Jason Bennett, Aaron Wilson, Kevin Carroll, Rob Braese

# Chi Omega

Officers: Lindsey Crain, Lori Davis, Carrie Teague;  
Row 2: Kellee Berry, Miriam Miller, Holly Tignor,  
Sara Beth Taylor, Beth Chapman



**Row 1:** Keri Baumgardner, Nicky Tilley, Mindy Sellers, Emily Yarbro, Sarah Stranak, Carri Beth Crawford, Lauren Staples, Melissa McCann, Gayla Hake, Carrie Teague, Hope Weaver; **Row 2:** Alisha Toy, Jennifer Daniel, Kress Jones, Wendi Davis, Elizabeth Vinson, Shannon Jarvis, Holly Choate, Terrie Hill, Emily Lavenue, Kimberly Stewart, O'Brien Goodwin, Micki Malloy, Sarah Holmes, Jen Burt, Abby Thomas; **Row 3:** Lesley Morley, Melissa Culpepper, Sara Beth Taylor, Amber Wyre, Hilary Williams, Holly Tignor, Miriam Miller, Lori Davis, Gina Heathcott, Jodi Jones, Julie Johnsey, Elyzabeth Lawrence, Shannon Reed, April Webb, Misty Sellers; **Row 4:** Allison Wright, Jennifer McClearn, Jennifer Merwin, Karen Langford, Lori Presley, Sarah Smith, Julie Yarbrough, Jessica Carfield, Lindsay Roberts, Alicia Jackson, Jessica Farneth, Ashley Entzinger, Kiley Wood, Tonya Dotson, Wendy Veazey, Meredith Montgomery, Claire Tinkle, Ashley Wallace, Dana Matlock; **Row 5:** Julie Winfield, Carla Cash, Kristy Smith, Alisha Lehmkuhl, Allyson Liberto, Mindie Harrison, Jennifer Hardin, Ashley Yarbro, Lindsey Crain, Amber Otey, Christy Pierce, Becca Simpson, Erica Shankle, Sara Fender, Rachel Wilson, Andrea Lemons, Beth Chapman, Joy Wilkerson; **Row 6:** Meg Griffin, Julie Ann Stephen, Audrey Cunningham, Amber McCaslin, Mary Catherine Bond, Amy Britt, Lisa Williams, Judy Hornsby, Kellee Berry, Kellee Woods, Niki Hoover, Kari Krawczyk, Brittney Herndon, Katherine Mobley, Ashleigh Stephens, Amy Cooley, Jessica Bolduc





# XΩ

Left: **Lindsey Crain, Lori Davis and Jessica Carfield** take some time out to chat at freshman orientation.

Below: Everyone cheered their teammates on at the Greek Olympics.



# ΣΑΕ

Left: The guys of Sigma Alpha Epsilon run through their strategy one last time in flag football.

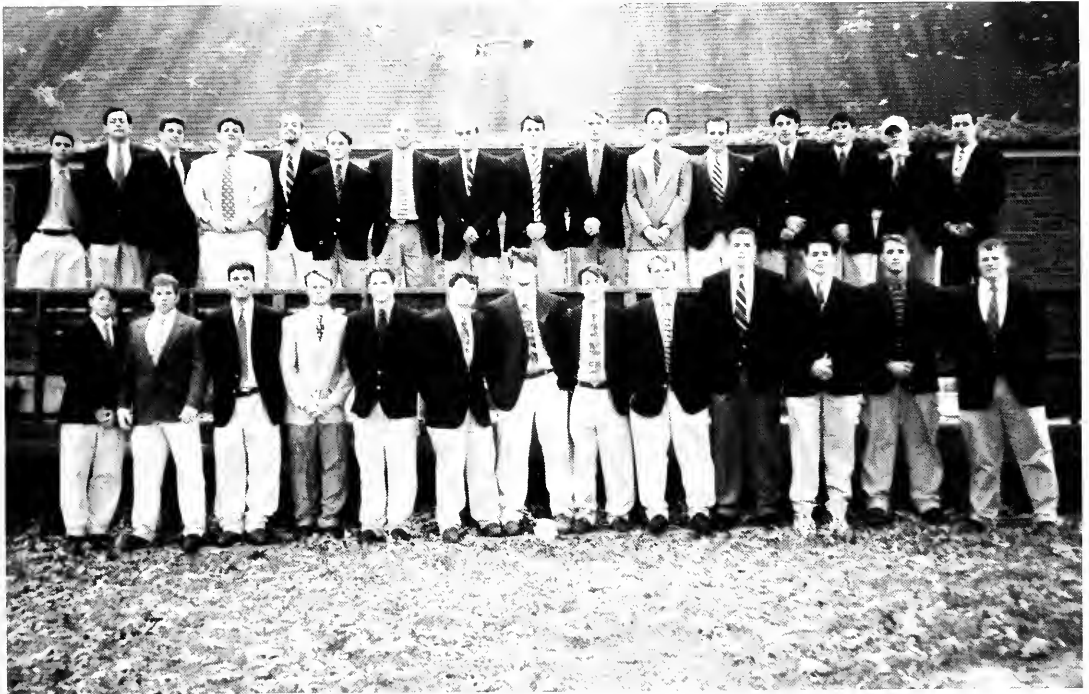
Below: **Stephen Wilson, Matt Adams, Kevin Rich, Nathan Perkins, Jonathan Smart and Jason Kraft** get ready for the beginning of tug-of-war.



# *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*



Officers: Stephen Horn, Ryan Kirkbride, Matthew West, Damien Nethery, Phillip Robinson, Richie Hopkins



**Row 1:** Jay Horne, Stephen Wilson, Clark Short, Don Bynum, Nathan Verbist, Drew Nichols, Ben Deming, Lance Cowles, Bobby VanKirk, Ryan Gatkins, Drew Herndon, Jared Daniel, Matt Adams; **Row 2:** Ken Barker, Jim Vinson, Richard Piner, Bradley Smith, Calvin Allen, Jonathan Gray, Jonathan Smart, Roger Mann, Phillip Robison, Kyle Huggins, Damien Nethery, Matt Thomson, Richie Hopkins, Ryan Kirkbride, Stephen Horn, Matthew West



# Kappa Delta



Right: These Kappa Deltas enjoy the spirit of campus day.



**Row 1:** Angie Ellison, Misti Tummins, Rebekah Provost, Stephanie Holdner, Nicki Lane, Christa Henning, Allene Knobloch, Lorrie Johnson, Janna Hays, Melissa Baldwin, Emily Wiltshire; **Row 2:** April Schroeder, Melissa Yau, Mandy Bell, Christie Eavenson, Stacy Veatch, Leigh Anne Smalley, Ashley Curtis, Laural Copeland, Laura Ingle, Mary Mount, Natalie Bennett, Sandy Conner; **Row 3:** Tiffany Trantum, Heather Hobbs, Randi Wise, April Rone, Mandy Boggs, Kellie Ross, Jaime Sweitzer, Jennifer Michaels, Whitney Faughn, Shannon Lowery, Kristen Keepehak, Ashley Fish, Christin White; **Row 4:** Angela Tomevi, Amelia Harris, April Adams, Cassie Hester, Joy Spurlin, Davina Harms, Kristen Johnson, Sara Vick, Rachel Calvert, Samantha Lyon, Audrey Harris, Alana Morris, Shelley Camardeese, Kelly Barron; **Row 5:** Becky Sams, Mary Tullis, Stacey Bailey, Jessica Whetstone, Holly Hatton, Meredith Hardin, Jennifer Jennings, Stefanie Morris, Leslie Riddick, Laural Smith, Angela White, Melissa Hughes





# KΔ

Below: Stacy Veatch, April Rone and Shannon Lowery promoted KΔ with their award winning display.





"How many of us can we fit in one truck?"

# Lambda Chi Alpha



Left: Lambda Chi members rally around their flag to build enthusiasm.



**Row 1:** Brad Jerry, Michael O'Neal, John Jensen, Ryan Schunemann, Steve Moore, Dan Shackelford, Ashley Grimm, Will Brantley, Jess Hedges, Parker Lombard, Jeremy Hollie, Chad Wilson, Eric Ellerbrook; **Row 2:** Jason Allison, Neal Rager, Paul Whitt, Drew Drace, Billy Goss, Kevin Dawson, Justin Dunlap, Dan Dillingham, Wes Payne, Adam Clark, Scott Bryant, Jason Avants, Jason Darby, Adam Vaughn, Trent Okerson, Adam Steedly, Jeffrey Edwards, Dan King, Brandon Stracener, Lee Nicholson; **Row 3:** Shawn Moubray, Brent Green, Stephen Dixon, Ricky Gray, Steve Crosby, Frederic Palmlden, Joe Grant, Joshua Drake, Brian Mooney, Matt Waites, Jeff McKenzie, Michael Slaughter, Kevin Little, Andrew Baskin, Brent Morris, Bryan Jerry, Ben Cripps, Adam Hasty, Jeremy Todd; **Row 4:** Clay Williams, Preston Brooks, Fred Shackelford, Heath Farmer, Greg Parsons, Michael Scrivner, Billy Mauldin, Jeff Shands, Chad Shankle, Chet Verner, Casey Meek

# Beta Tau Alpha



**Officers:** Audrey [unclear], Carrie Barger, Cathie Scarborough, Rachel [unclear]; **Row 2:** Elizabeth Matthews, Courtney Vickers, Rachel Smothers, Tonya Steinman, Carla Barber, Ellie Evans; **Row 3:** Kelli White, Danielle Henley, Kathy Lane, Rachel Lane, Emily Boone, Rachel Evans, Elizabeth Curtis, Dawn Powers, Andrea Fisher



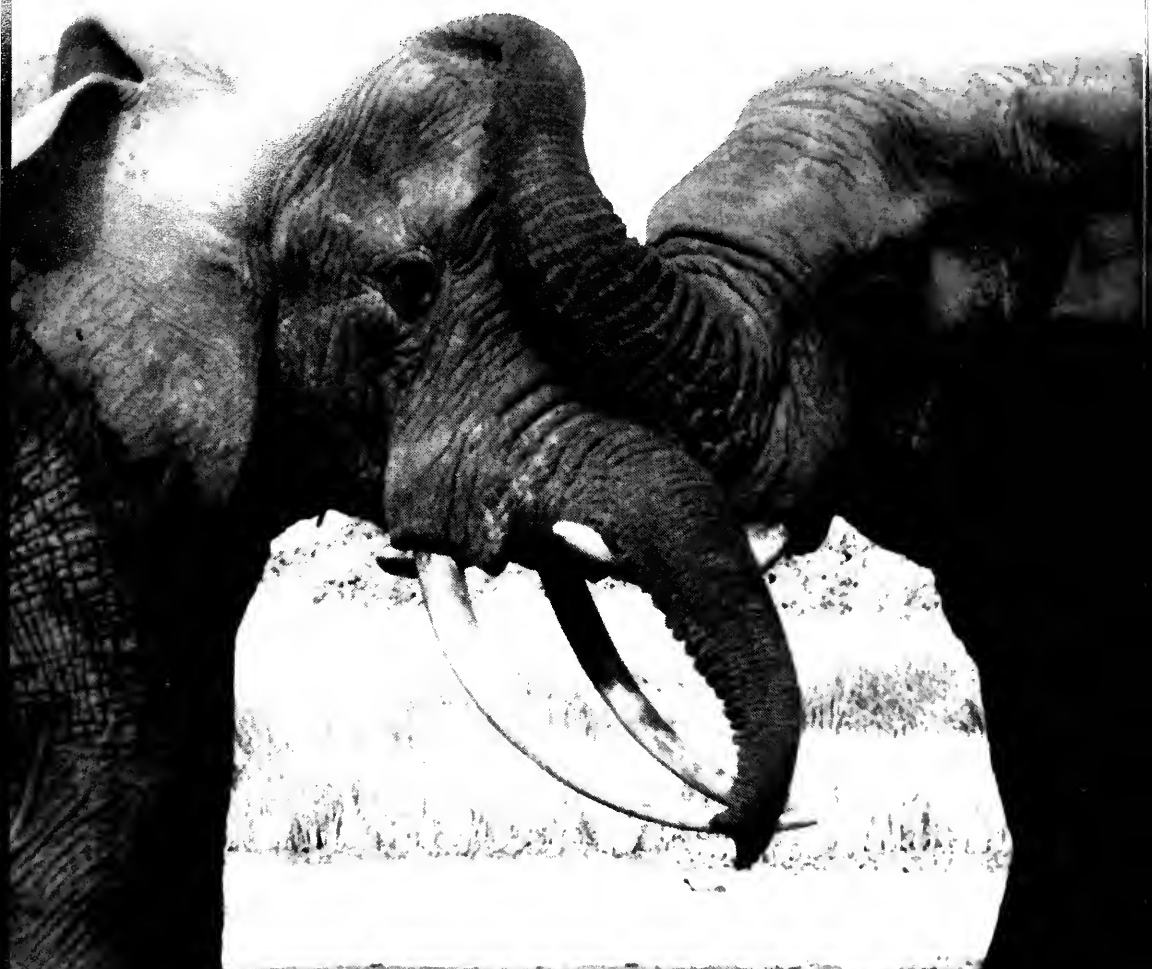
**Row 1:** Mary O'Neal, Carla Barber, Phyllis Robinson, Cari Kingsbury, Annie Laurie Crane, Tonya Steinman, Leah Duke, Leslie Bryant, Lori Hobbs, Emily Boone, Trinity Gray; **Row 2:** Dixie Blackstock, Jenny Solem, Laural Barkley, Carla Rose, Beth Arbuckle, Naomi Morgan, Andrea Fisher, Beth Jenkins, Carey Dunn; **Row 3:** Patricia Rush, Amy Sherrill, Tristin Hall, Allison Tignor, Wendy Graves, Sabrina Childress, Kathy Lane, Halie Johnson, Summer Rhodes, Nicole Judd; **Row 4:** Audrey Simpelo, Mattie Callahan, Karen Agee, Jennifer Escue, Melissa Ward, Julie Davis, Amber Donovan, Rachel Evans, Rachel Lane, Kelli White, Lauren Vaughan; **Row 5:** Erica Reinhart, Bethany Wardlow, Elizabeth Curtis, Amanda Nason, Amber Eskridge, April Phelps, Amanda Simpelo, Marni Towles, Melissa Gipson, Ellie Evans, Danielle Henley, Suzanne Frost, Sarah Phillips, Courtney Vickers; **Row 6:** Beth Morgan, Gina Lee, Valerie Volner, Anne Jeffries, Melanie Barber, Meg Wright, Lisa Sipes, Michelle Hardee, Julia Golden, Rachel Evans, Dawn Powers, Elizabeth Matthews, Julie Bradfield, Cassandra Watts, Jolie Seaborn; **Row 7:** Angela Hodges, Jill Nanney, Heather Westbrook, Ashley Kern, Jammie Burchfield, Martha Koellin, Carrie Barger, Jill Burrows, Jamie Curry, Sonya Mitchell, Cathie Scarbrough, Jeanna Myracle, Mandy Davidson, Gretchen Lowery, Melody Phillips, Rachel Smothers



Left: Halie Johnson, Summer Rhodes, Meg Wright, Trinity Gray and Amie Sherrill spend some time promoting Zeta.

Below: These members pulled for all they were worth in the Greek olympics.





# PROFILES



**UNION** was built upon the foundation of quality education for **STUDENTS** who are striving to be more like Christ. At the heart of Union are a variety of unique individuals who **HAVE** unusual stories to tell about their lives. Those things helped shape who they are and may be what helped bring them to Union. **SOME** of these students are very unassuming and their stories are not well known. Though everyone has a story to tell, some **STORIES** seem to capture the unique qualities that give Union its distinct personality. The following pages profile a few of the students who help **TO** give Union its special characterization as a Christian university. These one of a kind stories were put together by Laura Rector with the help of each person who is focused upon in one of these profiles. These students were willing to **SHARE** a little of who they are so that everyone would have a chance to hear their stories.



Clockwise: Doug and Christy during their senior year at Union, high school junior homecoming, Christy's 21st surprise birthday party, engagement night, and senior prom.



## Doug Forbes & Christy Lawson

It wasn't love at first sight. The engaged couple met in kindergarten. However, this was the start of a lifetime friendship that led to marriage. Christy Lawson and Doug Forbes, of Vandalia, Ill., have dated continuously for the past seven years. The Union seniors plan to marry in August after graduating this spring.

Christy was the only girl invited to the third grade birthday party of Doug and his twin, Dave. It was a bowling party and Christy said, "I could barely pick up the ball. His dad had to help me pick it up."

They dated for one semester during eighth grade. At that time, Christy was only about five feet tall and Doug was at least six feet. Christy said, "He got down on his knees so we could be level when we danced."

The junior high romance didn't last and in ninth grade the couple hardly associated with each other. Their sophomore year they were at a football game with some friends and Christy elaborated, "He kept hitting my leg. I was like, 'What do you want?' He said, 'I'd like to hold your hand,' and I was like, 'Oh!'" The couple started dating again on January 1, 1992.

Doug said, "High school relationships are very shallow." Christy continued the thought, "Even our first year of college, we matured more than those three years in high school. You know, learning about each other and what makes each other tick."

"I love Christy with all my heart. She's the moon that causes the changes of the seasons. I don't know what I'd do without her," said Doug, biology major.

"I think that goes for both of us. We can't imagine life without being together," added Christy.

What's the secret to their long relationship? "God. Us asking God's wisdom for His timing on marriage." They also try to keep the lines of communication open and honest. When they argue, Doug said, "He [God] has shown us not to hold things in."

Christy advised, "Love is from God and God gave us the ability to love others. Look to that first and He'll show you how to love."

The couple said, they "want people to remember we were a couple who loved God and really enjoyed each other. We were best friends and companions as well as mates for life."





Anyone who looked in the art gallery this past fall might have noticed a display of photographs framed in broken glass. No, someone didn't vandalize the gallery, this was simply the way Vince Black chose to display his senior exhibit.

For the past two summers, Vince has worked at Camp Barnabas, a camp "for children with physical and developmental disabilities." His senior exhibit consisted of black and white photographs taken at the camp, set off by old frames with broken glass. That's the way Vince feels many people view the campers.

The camp is named after Barnabas, the apostle Paul's missionary companion in Acts. "Barnabas was the encourager and so that's why it's called Camp Barnabas because a lot of kids with special needs need encouragement," Vince explained.

"Whenever I first heard about the camp, I thought it would be a camp where we would sit around and do things which cater to their needs, like just sitting around and rolling a ball back and forth. You know, just simple things; but we run a normal camp. We do a high ropes course. We do horseback riding, archery, riflery. I mean it's a normal camp," Vince said.

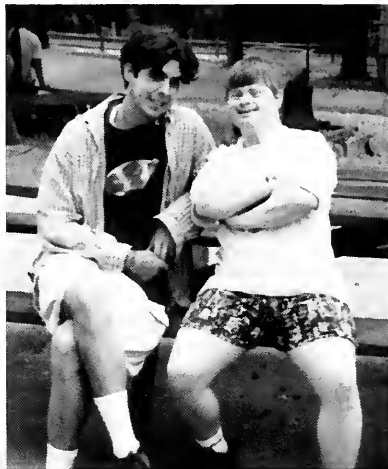
Vince worked two summers at the camp, one summer as a counselor and one summer as the volunteer coordinator. "Each camper is assigned one counselor. They get one counselor just to themselves, so every week, we had to have a lot of volunteers," Vince said.

His experiences at the camp have had a great influence on his artwork. Many of his drawing and photographs feature children with disabilities.

Vince graduated in December 1998. "I'm not sure what I want to do. I have a passion for working with children or youth. I have a passion for God's Word. I enjoy doing art," he said. The art and Christian studies major plans to attend seminary eventually.



## Vince Michael Black



Vince, art and Christian studies major, works during the summer at a camp for special needs children.



Clockwise: Tom at Union, his last re-enlistment, receiving an award for Sailor of the Month, Air Crew Training School, and when he made chief.



## Tom Young

Tom Young was in the United States Navy for 20 years, one month, seven days, eight hours and about 23 minutes.

"I had originally planned to stay in 24 years until I had my heart attack," said the senior chief, who is now a liberal studies major at Union.

Tom, of Brownsville, Tenn., said his college choice was easy. "My mother went here. As did two of my sisters and a brother, so we kept it in the family."

He explained why he chose to go into education after he had the heart attack. "I wasn't going to sit behind a desk in a military office and never see the sun."

The most exciting thing about being in the Navy was "getting to fly in several different types of airplanes." Tom found the travel aspect of his job enjoyable, also. He named at least seventeen different countries he had visited. A few of which included Venezuela, Belgium and Italy.

"People are different everywhere and no matter where I was at, it was always great to get back here. For me, this is the greatest country on the planet. I can see why so many people want to come here from so many different countries," said Tom about his travels.

His main job was repairing jet aircraft engines and his secondary job was teaching how to repair engines and doing paperwork.

In the Navy, gaining the rank of chief is a high honor. Tom went beyond that and became a senior chief. He said, "That was the best day of my life. The goal of anybody who makes a career out of the Navy is to be chief." The only honor higher than senior chief is to be named master chief. If Tom had stayed in the Navy, he would have been eligible for master chief in six months.

When he's not in class, Tom likes to take photographs, watch television and work on cars. He also reads a lot of navy-oriented books. After all his experience, he can easily go through and pick out the mistakes. Tom is also able to pick out mistakes in movies depicting the Navy such as *Top Gun*.

He said that he wants people to know that "this person didn't give up and kept trying until he got what he had aimed for." That's the philosophy of the senior who hopes to graduate in December 1999.

He describes himself as the "jack of all trades." Tom explained, "I can do just about anything if I put my mind to it. Anybody should be able to do just about anything if they really try."



Malinda Upton traveled for three days by plane to get to school this year. Her parents serve as missionaries in Malawi, a country in southern Africa. Except for their furlough times, Malinda lived in Malawi from the time she was a baby.

She said she loved "the people, because they're warm and they're friendly. Everyone asks you how you are and they really care."

The English major has been at Union for two years. She has enough credits to be a junior. Malinda said the hardest adjustment was "being surrounded by so many people my own age. Because in Malawi all the Malawians who are my age were married or had jobs and the Expat [expatriots] kids were away at boarding school, so all my friends were adults and children."

Malinda talked about some of the differences between Malawi and the United States. "We didn't have tornadoes there. The standard of living is extremely higher here than it is there. The things people worry about are different. People in Malawi don't worry so much about what they wear as much as they do about whether they actually have something to wear or not."

Malinda says her education was, "Intensely varied, because I was home-schooled using three different programs. I also went to a British private school, a Christian boarding school and an American public school."

Home-schooling was Malinda's favorite because, she said, "I felt that I was able to learn a lot more and I got to be closer to my mom and dad. For my senior trip I traveled to Kenya with my mom and dad. I would have rather been with them than anybody."

Malinda said her current interests are "reading, cooking, sewing, writing and Scott." Scott Elledge, a 1998 Union graduate is her fiance. They plan on getting married this summer and then Malinda will transfer to Middle Tennessee State University.

Americans sometimes ask Malinda strange questions about her African experiences. She explained, "Well, people ask things like, 'Did you live in a mud hut? Do you have elephants in your yard?' when I actually came from a city of almost one million people."

How did she find out about Union in Africa? She said, "I got brochures from almost every Baptist college. They all told me how good their football team was and how much money they could save me."

She continued, "I prayed and I told God that since I didn't understand football and I wasn't interested in attending a school which attracted students solely based on how cheap it was, that I wasn't going to college unless I found one that had strong academic standards and was ministry-oriented. The next day I got the brochure from Union which didn't even have a football team and talked about academics and ministry."



## Malinda Upton



Clockwise: Malinda with her family, her church decorated with toilet paper for Christmas, her senior trip to Kenya, her with her Scott at his graduation, and Malinda at Union.

Paul Tipton on a mission trip to South Dakota with his friends. Paul spent the summer preceding college, with his friends and fellow members Mimi and Mimi at graduation, with friends at Capital, at a Christian conference in Indianapolis: New Year's '98, in choir at Capital, and at Union.



*Paul Tipton*

Paul Tipton started his college career at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, where he was pursuing a vocal performance major and a classical performance career. God brought an end to that pursuit and the junior found his way to Union. He spent one semester at Union as a music major, and God changed that plan too. Now, he hopes to serve the Lord in a different way with his Biblical Studies major and music minor.

Paul said that during his sophomore year at Capital, "God exploded onto the scene and somehow by His amazing and indescribable grace, He led me to believe that He really is worth seeking everyday."

The native of Murfreesboro, Tenn., said, "I needed a seriously committed place which would encourage daily growth with the Lord. That's the kind of atmosphere I needed, especially back in October of 1997. God brought Union into the picture and it totally fit the bill."

When he went home for Thanksgiving, he heard about Union. He finished the semester at Capital and called Karen Edwards, Union admissions counselor, on December 1.

"I prayed before I called and asked God, 'Help me to know if this is the right thing,' and from there on I trusted Him with the situation and He led me to Union," Paul explained.

When asked about his interests, he laughingly replied, "I have forgotten any hobbies I used to have, because the only thing I know how to do now is study."

When he's not studying, Paul participates in various choral groups and handbells at Union and he loves to read, especially the Bible and classics.

It should come as no surprise that this member of the McAfee Dorm Council also loves people. Paul said, "I love to meet new people. It's interesting learning where people are with God. My prayer is that He will use me to help others know him better. God sends certain people into all of our lives and His desire is for us to love as He loved." Paul wants to share that love with others, because, as he noted, "God has so graciously allowed me a personal encounter with His Son and it's my prayer that others will see this and want it also."

Paul has found the experience of transferring enjoyable as he expounded, "It's fun! I've had an awesome time adapting to the environment. It's definitely unique. Union is like no other school I've ever attended or visited." He added, "When I first got here, I just wanted to jump in and trust the Lord with new relationships, living situations and academics."

"My desire is to only be known for one thing and that is my faith. I want to abandon everything in this life for the sake of Jesus. I'm definitely not there yet, but I'm headed in that direction," Paul said. "My purpose in life is to serve as a reflection of Jesus for those around me."

"I would hope that people would look at me as I am. I am William Gray, not William Gray-athlete. I think all athletes should be viewed for their own personalities and own actions. When people look at me, I don't want them to say, 'That's William. He's a basketball player.' I want them to say, 'That's William. He's a child of God.'" William Gray, freshman English major explained.

Eclectic seems to be the best word to describe William. The freshman is red-shirting for the Bulldogs' basketball team this year, but that's far from his only interest. For example, William writes poetry and is working on a musical. During the past three to four summers William worked at a daycare near his home in Paris, Tenn.

"Eventually, what I would like to do is to open up my own preschool and from there branch out or own my own private school. I'd like to go into childcare and if at all possible I'd like to go into writing, but who knows?" the native of Yonkers, New York said.

Children "fascinate" William. He expounded, "If I could be a good influence on them and share with them the message of Christ, I then could change lives. And I guess that's what I want to do, change lives for His glory."

"I love to write. I love to think. I like to create, to make something new," William said.

The 18 year-old chose Union, because "I thought this was the right kind of environment for me to be in because the coaches genuinely cared about me as a person and not just as another basketball player."

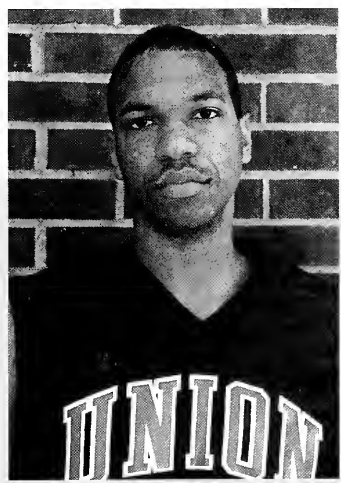
That care is evident in the praise William's coaches have for him. "He is a fantastic person and a joy to coach and I'll tell you something about him as a person. He's probably an even better person than he is a basketball player and I think he's going to be a great basketball player. He's one of the few people who actually is nicer that they seem and he seems so nice it's unbelievable," said Ralph Turner, head coach.

"I think he's really developed a heart that's sensitive to God, which will allow him to be balanced," said Mark Campbell, assistant men's basketball coach. Campbell added, "He's the example of the kind of person, kind of student and kind of player we want in our program. If all 15 guys can be like William, I think we're in good shape. Him being a freshman makes our future very bright."

William sees himself in a much humbler light. As the Union family reads about him, this child of God said, "I want them to know that I'm still working and that I'm still trying to pursue God's will."



## William Gray



Top to Bottom: William as a senior in high school, at Union, and ready for basketball.

"I like to watch my surroundings and notice the little things in life-they make me think and, as Jewel Kilcher put it, to 'find God in simplicity.' I write these things to attempt to personally or place some of God's blessings in tangible form."

*I recall the instance in which I first saw you -  
You sat there, surrounded by an aura of elegance -  
failing to meet the eyes that wanted to meet yours*

*Emotions unexplained seized my mind -  
Visions of sunsets and other picturesque things  
began to slowly pale in comparison...*

*Such a sophisticated lady...  
In heart  
and mind*

*I recall my second glance -  
for in it, I noticed the earthy tones you personified -  
throughout your array of 'artsy' attire*

*The simplicity in your every more -  
the leisurely grace of your comely smile -  
sparked my intrigue*

*Of a sophisticated soul  
A heavy heart - in mind  
As I passed by.*

Julie, who coordinates the tutoring program at a local church, went to southern Mexico on a mission trip this summer. One day she may become a career missionary.



## Julie Boyer

Julie Boyer, from Snohomish, Washington, likes to go hiking and fishing. Unfortunately, Tennessee's mountains seem a little small in comparison to those of her home state. It takes the sophomore 12 hours to get home, even on the plane.

Being away from home gives Julie a lot of time for ministry. She was involved with Backyard Bible Club last year, went on a mission trip to southern Mexico during the summer, plays the flute and teaches Sunday School. Julie also tutors Spanish students in Union's Learning Lab and coordinates the tutoring program at Evangelical Community Church [ECC].

"Basically, my job is just to coordinate between the tutors, the prayer team, the elders, the parents and the teachers," Julie explained about her job as tutoring coordinator at ECC.

In reality, it takes much more than that. Julie also does outside activities with the children, like taking them to ballgames or out to dinner. "I love my kids. They're great, but I know they have a long way to go and they have a lot to learn," said Julie.

"Our whole goal is to get the homework done and to give the students extra help in areas they're struggling in, so when they go home they can spend the time enjoying their parents and spending quality time with them," Julie said. She added, "We try to do all that in a way that Christ will be shared."

When she's able to go home, Julie enjoys the same quality time with her parents that she tries to help create for other families. "A lot of people say they wish they were more independent from their parents, but I go home and I just soak it up. I love being with my family."

She may eventually go into missions. The nursing major has visited eight different countries on mission trips, including spending time in Turkey with an aunt who is a career missionary.

"I've done missions in a lot of different places and a lot of different countries, but I really feel drawn back to the Middle East, so Lord willing that's where I'll end up someday," Julie said.



Brad White read God's Word this summer and God changed him. Now, he wants to teach God's Word and see God change others. The junior from Paducah, Ky. went to Peru for two months during the summer of 1998, as part of a group mentored by missionary Paul Washer of the HeartCry Missionary Society.

The Bible was the only book Brad took with him and Brad was able to use "a lot of free time to read the Bible and pray." He learned to pray through God's Word during his devotions. For example, he might pray through the Ten Commandments (Ex. 20), the fruits of the Spirit (Gal. 5) or the Beatitudes (Mt. 5).

"For instance, the Ten Commandments starts out with you shall have no other gods before me, so I'd just start praying and I'd say, "God, do I have any gods before you?" It's just the whole way I'm asking God to convict me, and He is, and I'm repenting. I really think that one of the things God desires of us is brokenness and humility over our sin," Brad explained.

One of Brad's biggest realizations was that he didn't choose where he was born or the circumstances of his life. In contrast, he said he wants people to remember, "Anything I am is just because God made me that way. I am what I am by the grace of God. Everything I have I owe to God."

"It was just the grace of God how I got to go on the trip. I had heard Washer preach one time my junior year of high school and somehow I got connected with him," Brad said.

"I was home one weekend and I talked to three or four friends and they all mentioned to me the same guy that they had heard preach," he explained.

"I got his phone number and called him and asked him if I maybe could come down and work with him for a couple of months. He told me not only could I, but that he was hoping to get together a group of college guys for the summer, so I just took it that this was what God wanted me to do," Brad said.

Brad committed to be a career missionary when he was 18. His heart is in Latin America. That's why Brad decided to major in Spanish and minor in Christian Studies before heading to seminary.

"In Latin America, a lot of people don't know what the gospel is. They'll tell you that they're Catholic, but if you ask them what that means, they won't know either," said Brad, who works in Spanish ministries at Poplar Heights Baptist Church.

God used the trip to refine Brad's calling. He said, "At this point, I think He wants me to do some kind of theological education. If you can get to the pastors, ultimately you can get to more people."



## Brad White

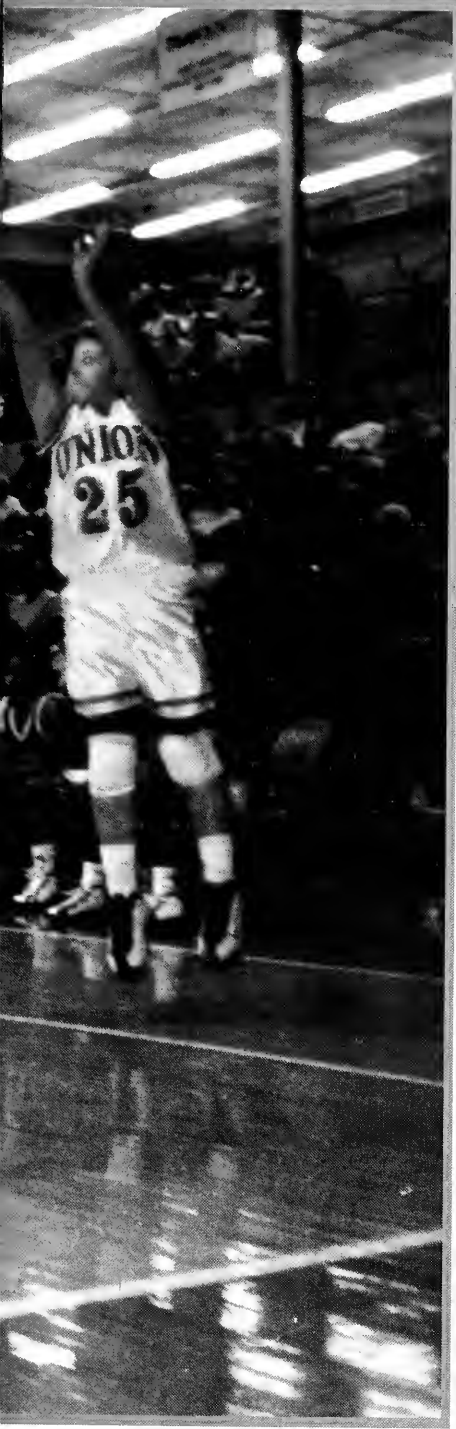


Brad went to Peru this summer to be mentored by Paul Washer of the HeartCry Missionary Society. There, God changed his heart and used him to change the hearts of the people of Peru.



# SPORTS





Union athletics have had **A** long **TRADI-**  
**TION** of excellence, and the 1998-99 seasons  
were no different. While the rest of the country  
expects merely a highly academic school that is  
not concerned with athletics, the Bulldogs always  
give opponents more than they bargain for. The  
sports program consists **OF** a variety of men's,  
women's, and intramural teams, all well experi-  
enced in the thrill of **VICTORY**. Union's aca-  
demic rigors pose enough of a challenge to the  
common student, but the athletes spend hours each  
day practicing, on top of studying. The life of an  
athlete requires **DILIGENCE, PA-**  
**TIENCE,** and **DEDICATION**. No matter  
the sport, no matter the player, when Bulldogs  
begin their games, it can only mean the fans will  
witness all that sports and competition can be.

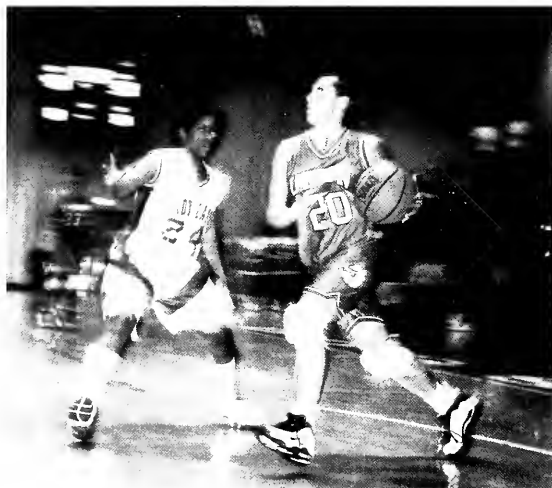
prepared herself for a beautiful shot.



Watching carefully for the pass, **April Pearson** positioned herself for the play.



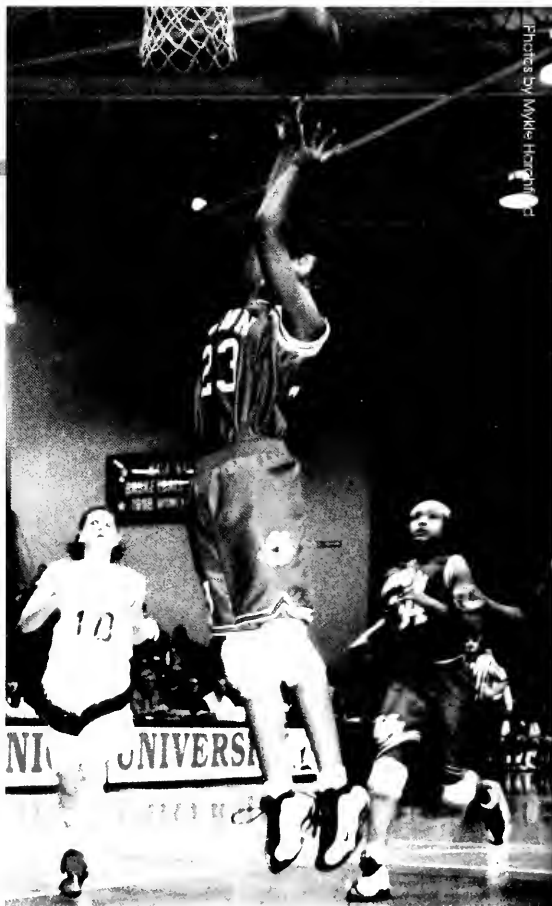
**Alisha Lehmkuhl** added a couple of extra points to the score board.



Stepping in for the two points, **Alisha Lehmkuhl** successfully evades the defense.

*Right:* **Tonya Tuggles** concentrated in order to sink another point for the home team.

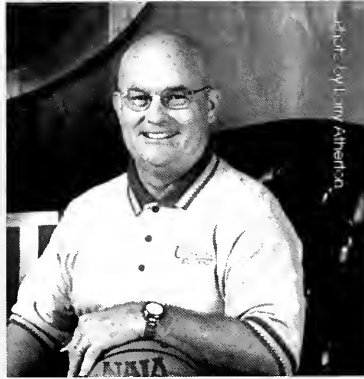
**Leslie Henderson** managed to add another two points to the score after the Lady Bulldog stole the ball away from the opposition in a fast break.



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# Lady Bulldog Basketball

The Lady Bulldog Basketball Team captured the title of National Champions during the 1998 season. This powerful team has advanced to the championship game three times in a row and as the new season started the ending will no doubt be the same as they defend their title. The team contains an overwhelming amount of ability and talent, but no seniors. **Lori Love** and **Meg Griffin**, two Juniors, led the team as top scoring guards. Both are outstanding at shooting from the three-point range. The inside game was led by **Rose Agnoug**,



**Celestine Gholston**, and **Leslie Henderson**.

**Dr. David Blackstock** began his 17th and final season as coach of the Lady Bulldogs. He has never lost more than 10 games in one season and has accumulated an overall record of 478-84 with a national title. Under Coach **Blackstock's** guidance, the team earned a #2 ranking in the Winningest Active NAIA Women's Basketball Teams in the last five years.

By: Mykile Harchfield



Frony Row (L-R): **Mary Catherine Way**, **Tammi Gauldin**, **Beth Anne Boroughs**, **Mary Beth Haltom**, **Tonya Tuggles**. Second Row: **Coach David Blackstock**, **Lori Love**, **Alisha Lehmkuhl**, **Meg Griffin**, **April Pearson**, **Leslie Henderson**, **Coach Lisa Hutchens**. Back Row: **Assistant Coach Heather Campbell**, **Celestine Gholston**, **Rose Agnoug**, **Carolyne Sagasi**, and **Junior Manager Kristina Luckett**.

Front Row (L-R): Coach **Don Morris**, **Patrick Feathers**, **Don Dillingham**, **Aurelio Roqueta**, **Willie Trevathan**, Coach **Micky Wolfe**. Back Row: **Clark Short**, **Kevin Little**, **Timmy Wolfe**, **Kevin Bromley**, **Adam Steedly**.



Photo by Julie Powell

The 1998 Bulldog Golf Team was very successful with only three returning players. The three golfers returning from last year are **Willie Travathan**, **Timmy Wolfe** and **Kevin Bromley**. The team lost **Steven Hammond** and **Micky Wolfe** who were there top players. **Micky** has taken on the task of coaching this talented group. Last year these golfers placed 10th in the National Tournament. They are currently ranked 14th in the NAIA. In October the Bulldog Golf Team played their best and came out on top as they won the Goodyear Invitational. **Timmy**



**Wolfe** received the All-Tournament award. It was very obvious through the many victories of the team that the new teammates have picked up the slack and continue to improve. Watching these guys on the golf course for just a moment indicated how much they each enjoy their sport as they excel in it. There is no doubt that we will hear more about this team's success in the future.

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# Bulldog Golf

Observing his teammates at their best, **Kevin Bromley** waited for his turn.



**Willie Travathan** gave it his all as he practiced his swing for the next hole.

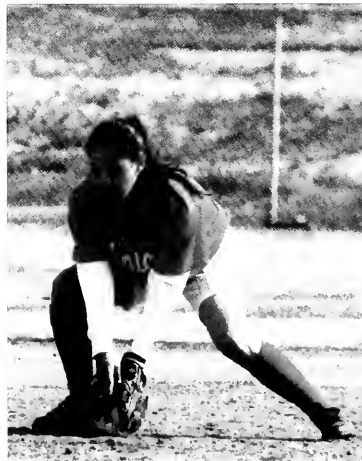
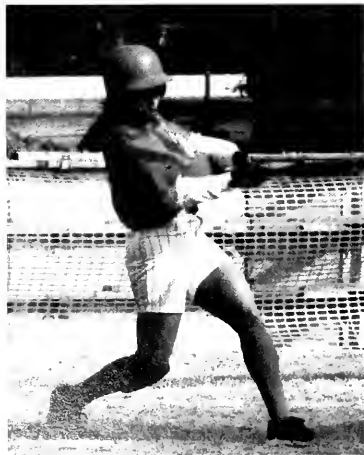


Working on his long driving skills, **Aurelio Roqueta** swung with all his might.

A few of the Bulldog golfers hung out and enjoyed the nice weather.

...the right pitch, the batter prepared herself for a  
...hit.

Showing her skills, **Linde Capegreco** wound up for a light-  
ning pitch.





Front Row (L-R): Rachel Murray, Isabelle Luna, Stacy Anderson, April Workman Second Row (L-R): Andrea Higgins, Jennifer Polk, Lori Neal, Chrissy Allardin, Brandy Langley Third Row (L-R): Head Coach Brian Dunn, Assistant Coach Jarrod Reece, Susan Love, Amy Robbins, Christina French, Shanna Tolbert, Chanda Franks, Assistant Coach Steven Gream



The Lady Bulldog Softball team has always been tremendously exciting to watch. The 1998 team ended the year with a 51-16 overall record. This outstanding amount of victory led to a #19 final NAIA National Ranking. They accomplished a #1 National Ranking in NCCAA for the first time ever. They walked away from the NCCAA National Tournament as Runner-Up. With a 17 game winning streak the Lady Bulldogs set a school record for wins. This was also the first 50 win season in Union University's sports history. This ex-



tremely talented team consists of five NCCAA All-Americans, five Tran-South All-Conference players, four Mid-South All-Region players, and a NCCAA National Coach of the Year. We are all very proud of the extraordinary group and cannot wait until we see more of their action.

By: Mykle Harchfield

# Lady Bulldog Softball

# Lady Bulldog Tennis

Union's Lady Bulldog tennis team won more matches than any other school at the NAIA Regional Tournament. This victorious team represented our school extremely well. Only the winner of the single and doubles final in the main draw advanced to the National NAIA ITA Tournament in Memphis. However, the results of our matches helped with this fall's national ranking. Union advanced in the rankings up to ninth place. **Clara Martinez** received an 18th place ranking in the nation. **Sian Olszewski** was 40th. Together, **Clara** and **Sian** received a 12th place ranking in the nation for doubles.



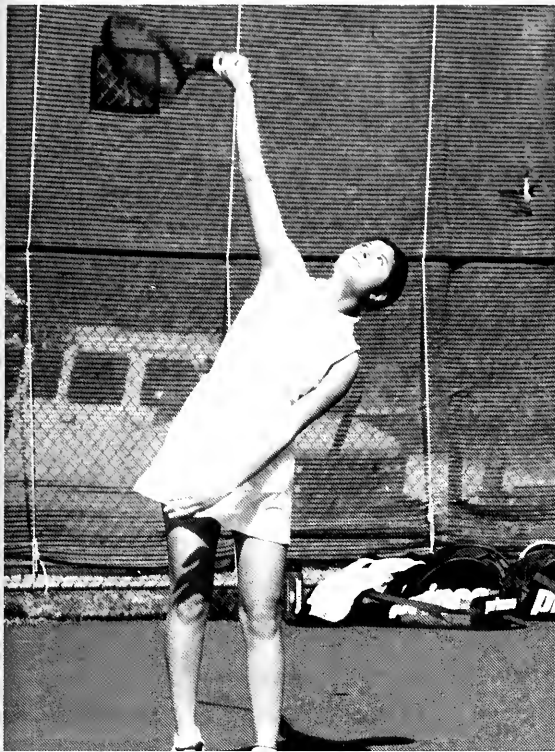
The overall results of the NAIA Regional Tournament were the following. **Ashley Young** won Champion of Singles A Draw. **Julie Yarbrough** and **Meredith Rollyson** were Champions of Doubles A Draw. **Clara Martinez** was Runner-up in Singles Main Draw. **Samantha Sloan** was Runner-up in Singles A Draw. **Sarah Smith** was Runner-up in Singles Consolation. **Clara Martinez** and **Sian Olszewski** were the Runners-up in Doubles Main Draw.

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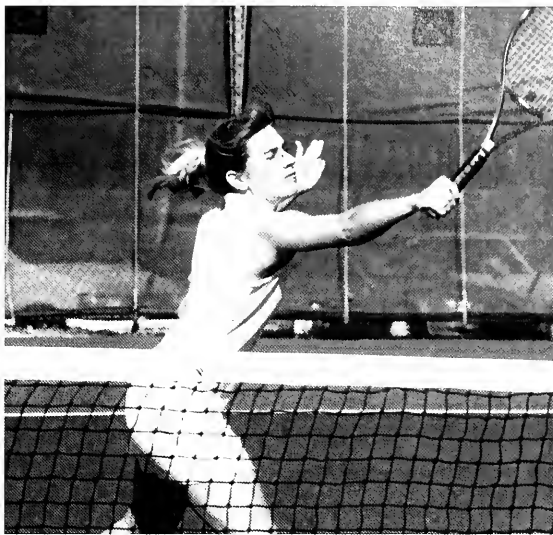


Front Row (L-R): Sarah Smith, Samantha Sloan, Ashley Young, Tara Heath. Second Row (L-R): Julie Yarbrough, Elizabeth Fairs, Meredith Rollyson, Sian Olszewski, Clara Martinez, Coach Sandra Williams.





Sian Olszewski gave it all she had as she served up a fire ball. | Samantha Soan pulled out all the stops in returning this one.



**Julie Yarbrough**

Champion of Doubles A  
Draw along with her partner  
Meredith Rollyson.



**Sarah Smith**

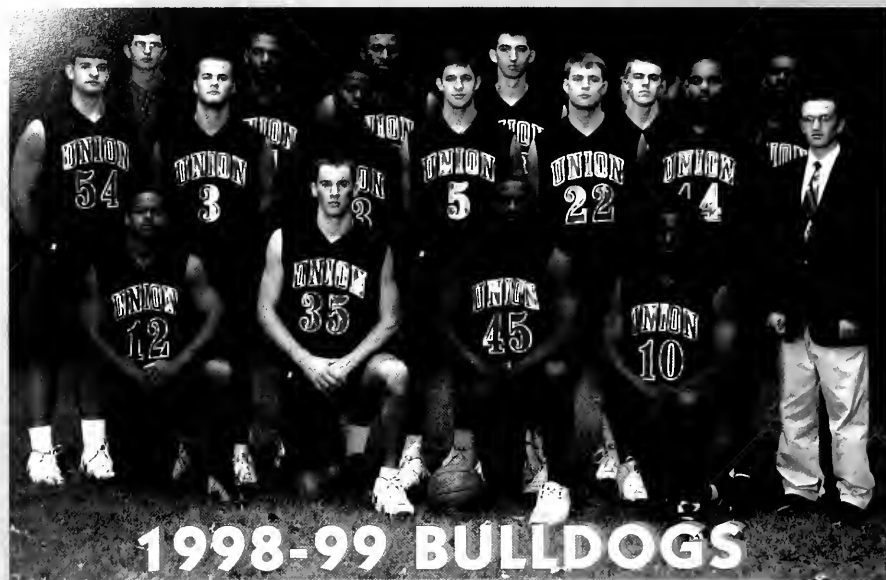
Runner-up in Singles  
Consolation.



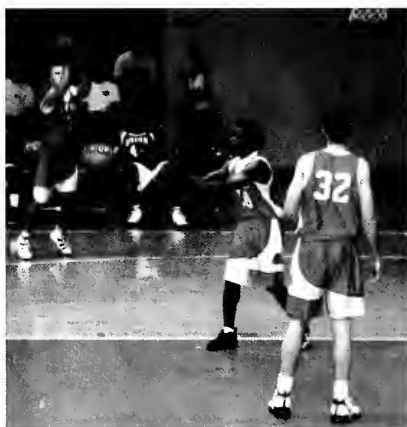
**Clara Martinez**

Runner-up in Singles  
and Doubles Main  
Draw.

Front Row (L-R): Dexter Williams, Matt Hoover, Elvis Ochieng, and Marcus Price. Second Row (L-R): Jake Eaton, "Biggie" Hoover, Tryrian Ridges, Ryan Massey, Steve Poindexter, Demetrius Golden, and Issac Lake. Back Row (L-R): Steve Cream, William Gray, Patrick White, Anthony Brooks, John Arnold, and Gaylon Moore.



The Union Bulldog Basketball team has built up a record of excellence in the past. This team compiled a 14-2 overall record and a No. 17 national ranking. The bulldogs went on to victory in the first and second rounds of conference tournament play. This advanced them to the 61st annual NAIA Division I Men's Basketball National Championship. Union again set a new school record for Most Wins in a season with 30 and had several players earn post-season honors. **Tryrian Ridges** was named NAIA and NCCAA All-American. **Gaylon Moore** was named honorable mention



All-American. **Ridges, Moore,** and **Anthony Brooks** all earned conference honors. **Ridges** was named TranSouth Newcomer of the Year and Western Division Player of the Year while head coach **Ralph Turner** was named TranSouth Coach of the Year.

Viewing the results of last year's season gave us high hopes for this year's beginning. New strategies for the use of individual players helped advance our bulldogs further than original expectations. We are proud of the success of our Bulldogs.

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# Bulldog Basketball

Anthony Brooks and Ryan Massey listened intently as Coach Ralph Turner gave his instructions.

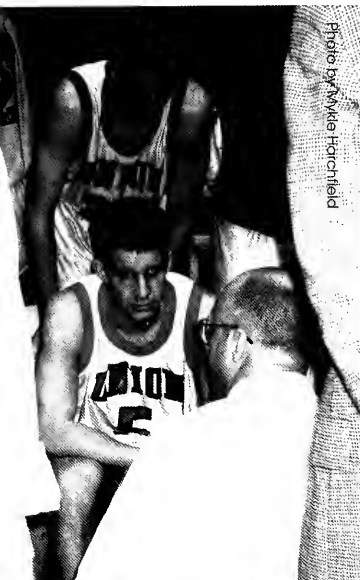


Photo by Mikke Hirschfeld

Steve Poindexter really demonstrated his skill when he sunk that three-pointer.



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Patrick White showed them who's boss with his airborne, two point score.

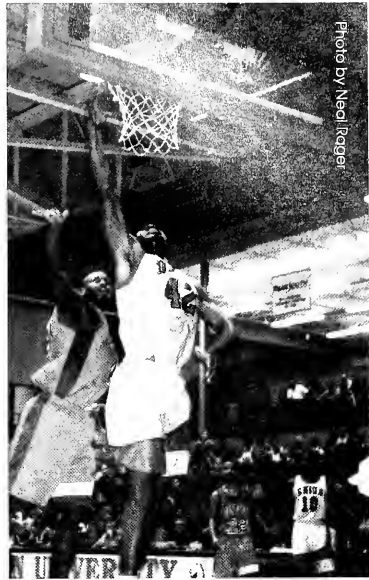


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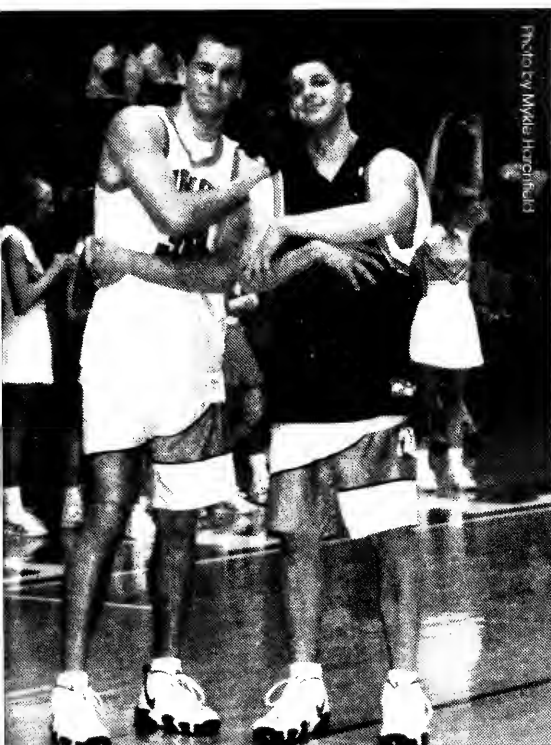


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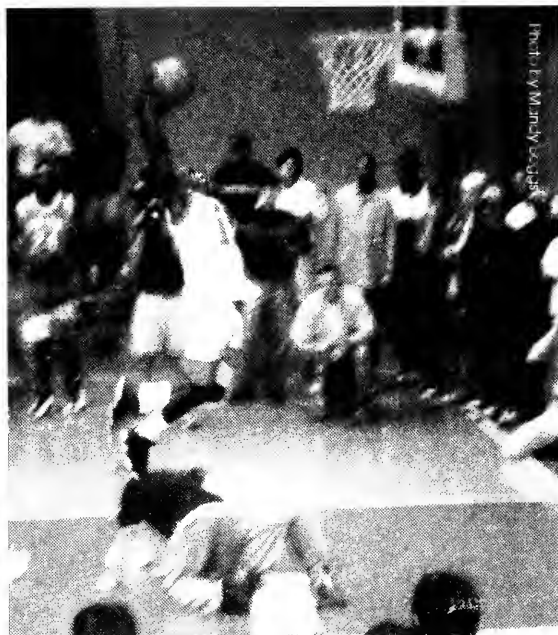


Photo by Marcy Seaman

Matt Hoover and Ryan Massey took a moment to pose for the camera. Tryrian Ridges demonstrated his skill at Midnight Madness with an airborne dunk.



(Left - Right), Coach Gary Johnson, Philippe Sylvestre, Luis Pozzi, Balazs Tilli, Jay Horne, Mario Cobo



The 1998 Union Bulldog Tennis Team was completely equipped to be victorious. Sophomore **Mario Cobo** was ranked 27th in the NAIA. During his freshman year, **Cobo** mortified a 10th ranked junior from Freed-Hardeman with a victory in the fall tournament. **Balazs Tilli** also earned a ranking with the NAIA as 31st in singles. In doubles matches the duo of **Mario Cobo** and **Luis Pozzi** ranked 23rd. The talent this team had from these returning players was awesome. The newcomers were just as outstanding. **Philippe Sylvestre** won an "A" division at Rolex Southeast Regional in Lexington, KY. Sophomore **Jay Horne** transferred from



David Lipscomb where he played No. 2 in singles. He has been an exceptional lift for the team and added much needed depth to Union's Bulldogs.

“  
The line  
is good in  
America!  
”

--Jay Horne--  
A word to his teammates

By: Mykle Harchfield

# Bulldog Tennis

Demonstrating his best concentration techniques for tennis. **Philippe Sylvestre** prepared to devastate his opponent with a powerful return.



Satisfied with his successful return, **Mario Cobo** glared at his awesome attempt towards another victory.



Taking his time, **Mario Cobo** visualized his beautiful serve before he attacked.

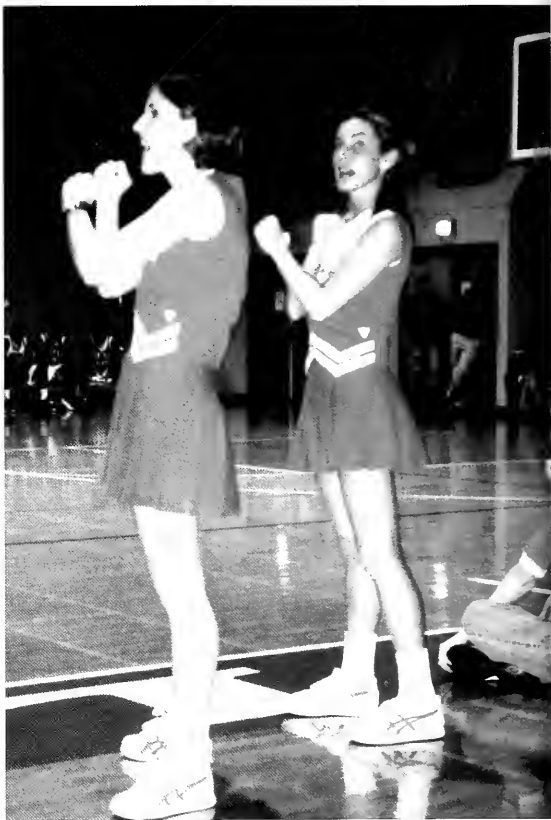
Determined to win, **Luis Pozzi** watches for the exact moment to "open a can."



Whoops... **Amber Donovan** slipped up when she sneaked a peak at the score. **Bethany Morgan** continued unshaken.



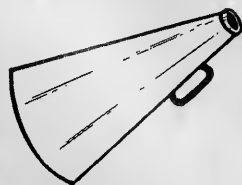
Rooting for the home team, **Amelia Harris** and **Melissa McCann** cheered loud and proud.



How do they do that? **Jackie Williams** and **Amber McCaslin** showed off their spirit with a few back-hand-springs.



Front Row (L-R): Melissa McCann, Alicia Dempsey, Second Row: Amber Eskridge, Jackie Williams, Leslie Riddick, Third Row: Amelia Harris, Amber Wyre, Bethany Morgan, Back Row: Amber Donovan, Sydney Mayo, Amber McCaslin.



the **SPiRiT**  
*is back!*

The Cheerleaders of Union University have always been true spirit lifters for the fans and athletes. The 1998 squad was no less. Their enthusiasm and talent inspired us all to rise to our feat and cheer the Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs to sweet victory. The commitment, strength, and skill needed in order to be a cheerleader is often overlooked. For this reason we wish to let our cheerleaders know how much they are appreciated. After all, it is quite near impossible to imagine the games without those words of encouragement from our cheerleaders.



The 1998 Cheerleading squad presented itself in style with new uniforms for the new season. This change in appearance was well deserved by these hard working athletes.



By: Mykle Harchfield

# Cheerleaders

With a rush of adrenaline, **Kris Ward** worked his way down the field with the ball.

Consumed with aggression, **Frithjof Wahn** defended his possession of the ball.



Cautiously, sophomore **Ibou Diop** passed the ball to his awaiting teammate.

In a heroic attempt, **Matt Jennings** took the risk and kicked a long pass to his awaiting teammate.



# Bulldog Soccer

Union University's 1998 Bulldog Soccer Team has captivated the entire campus. This inaugural season for soccer at Union was filled with excitement and record-breaking success. Lead scorer **Matt Gladle** really opened our eyes with his record of three goals in one game. **Frithjof Wahn**, **Josh McCoy**, and **Daniel Banks** are just a few other of the power-players Union recruited to lead our soccer team to the top.

The raging Bulldogs tore into their first season with a 3-0 victory over the Eagles of Williams Baptist College in Arkansas. Two goals were scored by **Frithjof Wahn** and the remaining goal was scored by **Matt Gladle**.



A dynamic lineup of talented and dedicated men has made the difference in our campus and our reputation as an outstanding university. The Bulldog Soccer Team has been and will continue to be a spirited victory machine.

By: Mykfe Harchfield



Front Row (L-R): Daniel Banks, Shilo Velasquez, Dan Walton, Ben Ruby, Dave Delaughter, Matt Clairmont, Second Row: Jason Hurt, Paul Farmer, Andre Augustus, Lee Davis, Scott Marksbury, Rob Ferguson, Ibou Diop, Matt Jennings, Jason Patterson, Third Row: Coach Darin White, Coach White Sr., Coach Antonio Chiarelli, Kyle Huggins, Kris Ward, Ben Hoskins, Matt Gladle, Josh McCoy, Frithjof Wahn, Garrison Smith, Cesar Cedeira, Carles Yewell, Coach Huggins

# Volleyball

The 1998 season for the Union University volleyball team was extremely exciting as the Lady Bulldogs began their inaugural campaign as members of the TranSouth Conference and the MidSouth Region. The head coach of the volleyball team for their first season was **Brian Dunn**, who also coached the Lady Bulldogs softball team. This was Coach Dunn's third year coaching at Union and was named Region Coach of the Year.

There was a great deal of experience among this recruited class. Several Juniors constituted our starting lineup. Middleblocker **Shanon Pollman** and setter **Melissa Hayden** were a couple of starters that added to

our power. Being ranked No. 1 in the nation for assists, Hayden was an exciting player to keep your eyes on.



Pollman also received various All-Conference honors while playing at Belleville Area College. Outside hitter **Melisa Lovekamp** earned first team All-Tournament honors at the regional tournament. Other top recruits included outside hitter **Lauren Hayden** and middle hitter **Emily VanDam**. Union was honored with a First Place standing in the Western Division of the NAIA TranSouth Conference. Union's new volleyball team has contributed to the outstanding reputation of victory acquired in seasons past!

By: Mykkle Harchfield



Front Row: (L-R), Amy Steele, Melissa Hayden, Second Row: Head Coach **Brian Dunn**, Assistant Steve Gream, Sarah Davenport, Melisa Lovekamp, Misty DePriest, Lauren Hayden, Sarah Smith, Assistant Coach Philip Cummings, Back Row: **Shanon Pollman**, Christy Vogt, Emily Van Dam.

## 1998 Volleyball Weekly Award Winners

**Lauren Hayden-** TranSouth Conference/ Mid-South Region  
Player of the Week (Sept. 28-Oct. 3), (Oct. 19- Oct. 25).

**Shanon Pollman-** TranSouth Conference Player of the Week  
(Oct. 5- Oct. 10).

**Melissa Hayden-** TranSouth Conference/ Mid-South Region  
Setter of the Week (Oct. 5- Oct. 10).  
NCCAA Setter of the Week (Oct. 5- Oct. 10).

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All-MidEast Region

**Lauren Hayden-MVP**

**Melissa Hayden**

**Shanon Pollman**

**Melisa Lovekamp**

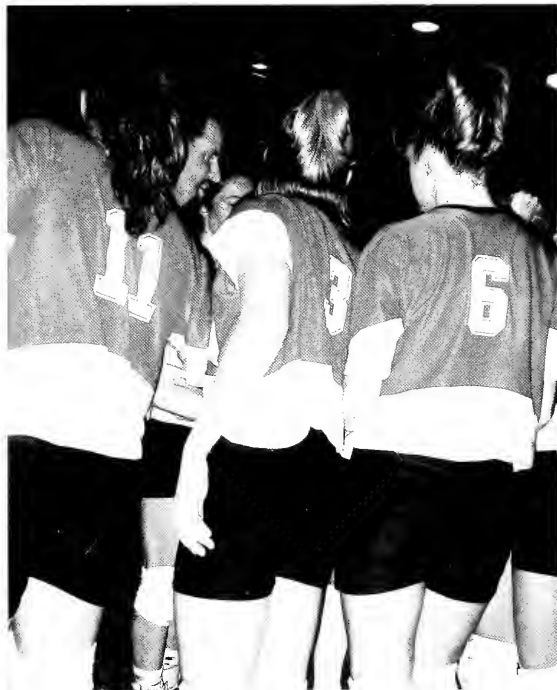
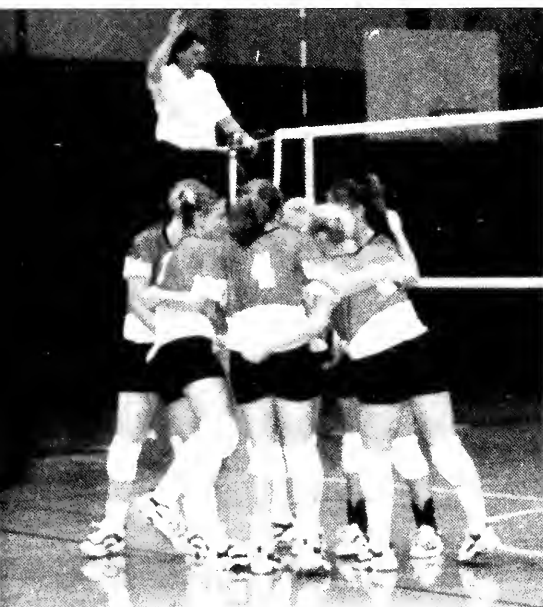
All-MidEast Region  
Tournament Team

**Lauren Hayden**

**Melissa Hayden**

**Shanon Pollman**

NCCAA MidEast Region Coach of the Year: **Brian Dunn**



Teamwork was the name of the game as the players form a huddle for a little spirit and inspiration from one another.

A little advice and a few strategies from the coach kept the team on the ball and filled with enthusiasm.

# Bulldog Baseball

This season was a first for the Union Bulldogs. For the first time in 11 seasons, the 1999 Bulldogs have received a No. 11 NAIA national ranking in the preseason polls. Seeing many present and former Union baseball player's dreams become a reality, the 1999 Bulldogs will play the first season under the lights of a new 600-seat baseball stadium. And for the first time in many years, Union's roster only contained two seniors.

One of the many strengths of this 1999 squad may be the result of an extremely talented infield. The Bulldogs depended on All-Conference and All-American shortstop John Koffman for



leadership both on and off the field.

Union's outfield was definitely noticed for their speed. All-American performer Kevin Overcash returned to the outfield this season along with the addition of transfer Alan Eubanks from Jackson State.

One noticeable difference for the Bulldogs this season was the increased number of lefthanders in the rotation. Leading this staff was Bart Lindsey who was a returning starter from last spring.

Although replacing players from the 1998 team is impossible, the 1999 Bulldogs will look for new players to step up and become the great performers of 1999.



Front Row (L-R): Josh Tinsley, Travis Brown, Chuck Washburn, Bryan Bailey, Kevin Overcash, Josh Carter, Brad Taylor, Chad Moore, Alan Eubanks Second Row (L-R): Head Coach Andy Rushing, Dow Davidson, Eric Olexa, Seth Bennett, Nathan Sawyer, Eric Culpepper, Jamie Mosley, Danny Giles, Assistant Coach Brent Fronabarger Third Row (L-R): Assistant Coach Stephen Hall, Joseph Talley, John Melton, Sean Stewart, Kai Frederick, Rodney Deaton, Jeff Wyatt, Will McCartney, Mark Satterfield

With a sharp eye out, **Kevin Overcash** awaited the pitch that would lead to his homerun.



Completely confident in his precision, **John Kauffman** threw the ball in for another out.



Determined to add to the score, the runner waited for the exact time to pursue third base.



This outstanding pitch demonstrated **Kai Fredrick's** awesome abilities.

# Intramurals

Intramural sports are exciting and competitive for everyone. Many Greek organizations take part in every one of the sports offered.

Among these sports are flag football, softball, basketball, sand volleyball, indoor volleyball, wallyball, putt-putt golf and many, many more. Com-

petition is especially tough between the fraternities and sororities. Independent teams are just as competitive and always earn plenty of points.

By: Mykle Harchfield







# Union Community Grieves together over Hutchens death

Jackson, Tenn. - "Sadness, loss and despair are only a few of the emotions we're feeling today, but we are trusting in God to provide help and hope for us," Union University President David S. Dockery said as the Union community grieved together during a memorial service for basketball coach Lisa Hutchens, Monday, Feb. 22. Hutchens, co-head coach of Union's women's basketball team, was found dead in her home, Saturday, Feb. 20. The Jackson Police Department ruled the death was caused by a self-inflicted gun shot.

"Sometimes in life, things happen that will change your life forever. On Saturday, the terrible news of Lisa's death changed my life and countless others forever," Rev. Jerry Tidwell said to a standing-room-only crowd in the Union chapel. Tidwell is pastor of West Jackson Baptist Church, where Lisa has been a member since 1997.

"The pain is unbearable. We need one another and we need God's help to deal with what's happened in our lives," Minister to the University Todd Brady said. In response to the grief expressed by students and athletes, the university has developed a team of faculty and staff to counsel those struggling with Hutchens' death. "Lisa was a beloved member of this community, and we are grieving her loss deeply," Dockery said.

"She was a person who was achieving great levels of excellence on a professional level," Dockery continued. Hutchens had just finished her classwork for her doctorate and was preparing to begin her dissertation at the University of Memphis.

In her six seasons at Union, Hutchens was instrumental in the Lady Bulldogs national success. Since Hutchens joined the team in 1991 as assistant coach, the Lady Bulldogs reached the NAIA national tournament six times. They won the tournament and held the national title for the first time in Union's history last season.

Hutchens, who was also an assistant professor at Union University, received her bachelor's degree from Union in 1983. Hutchens was the first women's basketball player at Union to be named NAIA All-American and NAIA Academic All-American.

Hutchens earned a master of education from Memphis State University in 1985. She went on to coach women's basketball at South Side High School from 1986 to 1991. While at South Side, Hutchens was named coach of the year two years in a row. She also led the Lady Hawks to the first undefeated season in Madison County history and to the TSSAA state tournament in the 1989-90 season.

Due to time constraints imposed by Saturday's TransSouth conference, both the men's and women's basketball teams will resume their playing schedule today. Tonight the men's and women's basketball teams will play Lyon College in Batesville, Ark. They will play David-Lipscomb University in Nashville on Wednesday and Williams College at home on Thursday.

Today's service will be followed by a public memorial service tomorrow in Union's chapel. Visitation is today at Arrington Funeral Home from 5 to 8 p.m. and Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Williams Funeral Home in Greenfield, Tenn. The burial will be at 1 p.m., Wednesday at Highland Cemetery in Greenfield.



# A Tribute To Coach Lisa Hutchens



**Steve Beverly, assistant professor of communication arts:**

"Her life revolved around people."

**Beverly Vos, administrative assistant to vice president for business services:**

"She had a great sense of humor. Her personality was very warm and friendly to everyone."

**Coach Ralph Turner, instructor of physical education and head coach of the Bulldogs:**

"Coach Hutchens was somebody who challenged everyone around her to raise their standards because hers were so high. She was somebody who expected greatness from people, and very often got it because of her expectations."

**Carmen Minnich, junior nursing major:**

"I admired her tremendous coaching ability and the gift she possessed for teaching."

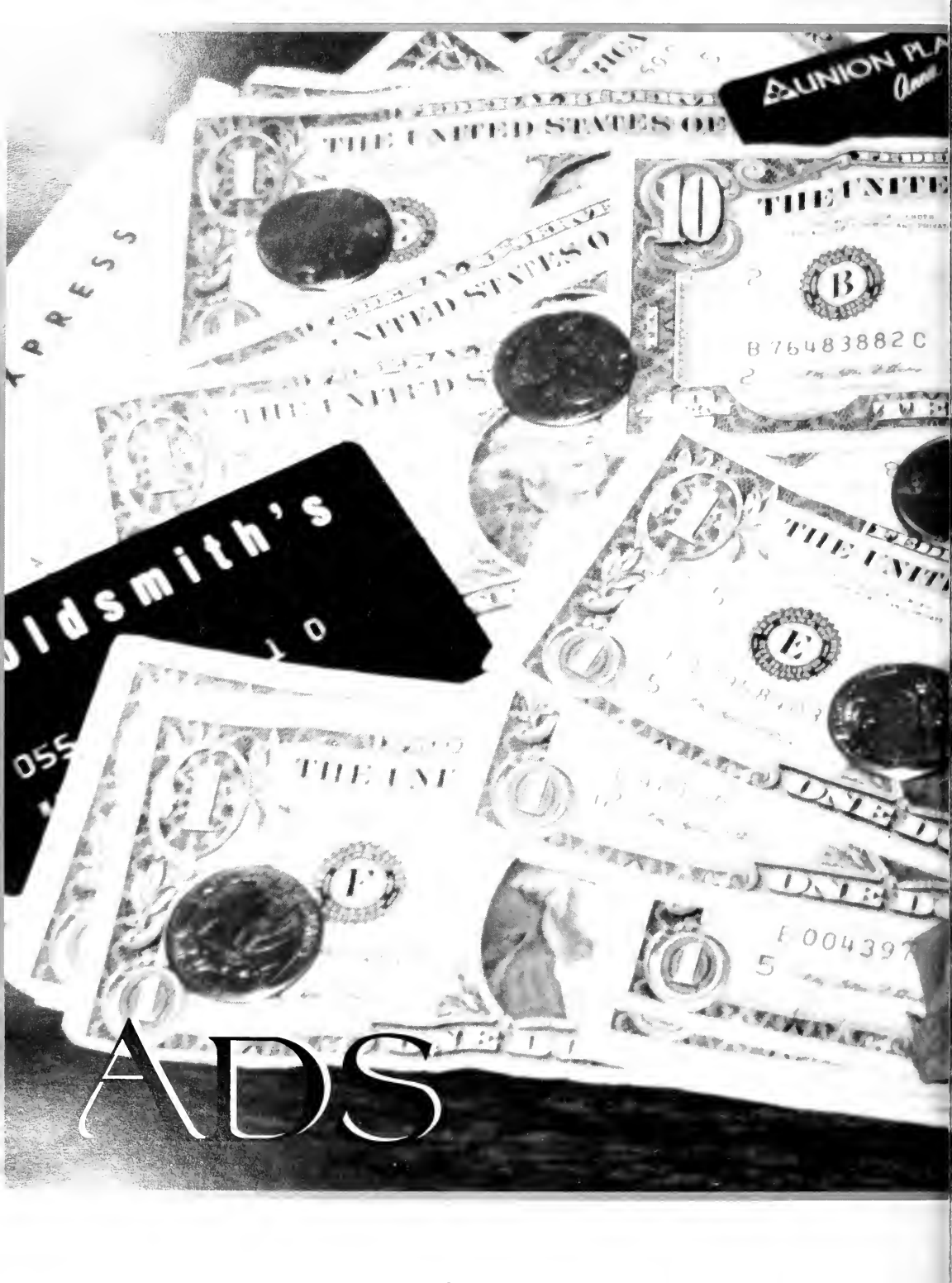
**Matt Tipton, senior Christian studies major:**

"My favorite memory of Coach Hutchens was when she took our class to Pope Elementary to work at the Special Olympics. I really enjoyed that. She was one of my favorite teachers."

**Steven Miller, senior physical education major:**

"Coach Hutchens took us to Youth Town for a recreation field trip. She was on a high ropes course and got scared, and she wouldn't jump down ... We laughed and screamed at her to just jump – she was attached to a bungee cord. She told me, 'You got to come up here and get me off this thang!' in the most Southern redneck slang. By the time I got up there, I was shaking the pole so much she fell."





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Love, Mom and Dad



Lorrie Carol Johnson



Acts 17:26 - 28

From one man he made every nation of men that they should inhabit the whole earth; and He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.

God did this so that men would seek Him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. For in him we live and move and have our being.

Aaron,

... We rejoice that in Him you live and move and have your being. . .

We love you very much,  
Dad, Mom, & Sarah



Aaron Nachtigal

## Lance Respress



Lance, Congratulations! God must love us a lot because He gave us you. You have been a joy and inspiration to us as we have watched you grow, always seeking God's will for your life. Every phase of your life has been a blessing. We love you and are so proud of your accomplishments and the fine young man you have become.

Prov. 16:3 - Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed.

Dad, Mom, & Tamara

John Joseph means he shall add unto God's blessing. And that's what God did when he blessed us with you. We are so proud of you. And we will always love you forever.

Daddy, Mama & Rachel



Jay Watson





Congratulations !!!!!  
Kevin Bonee

*We are so proud of you!*

Dad & Shelia  
Mom, Ronnie & Adam





# Suzanne Frost

(Phil. 4:13; 1:3.6)

Our love and prayers, Mom, Dad, Phillip,  
and Carl



As your graduation draws near, our hearts are filled with joy. We are thankful for your friends and the example that your life has been to them. We know that you have been an encouragement to many. Most importantly, you have remained faithful to God's call upon your life. Our challenge to you is that all your tomorrows will be met with a smile on your face and God's word in your heart.



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our lives. We have watched you grow and develop the talents God has given to you. Even at a young age some of those talents were becoming visible. Always put God first and your cup will be overflowing. We love you!!

Mom & Dad

## Amanda Coffman

## Emily Whiltshire

Bravo!! Way to go, Emily! The world will benefit immensely from your tender heart and great love for mankind and the Lord.



Love,  
Mom & Dad

Dear Ryan,

Having you for our son has been one of the greatest blessings of our lives. Our prayer for you is that the Lord may bless your life and future as much.

We love you forever,  
Dad & Mom

## Ryan Kirkbride

Four down, life to go!!  
Congratulations Heath!

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the plans that I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope

## Heath Farmer



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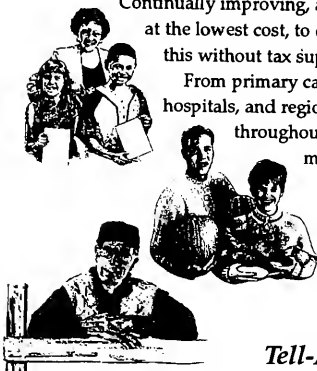
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# The eNd ReSult...



← The end result of four years at Union is compiled of a number of elements. It mostly consists of debt, but during my time here, I have amassed so many memories and experiences that I cannot begin to number them or rank them in importance. The truth is, they all jumble together in my mind to form what is popularly known as the "Union experience." This phrase means for each individual Unionite a vastly unique and different collection of variable. However, there are a few constant properties every Union student experiences. These common elements are founded on the basic idea of community.

The Union community is unique and rare. It is a community based on cooperation between faculty and students on an academic, and most importantly spiritual relationship. Perhaps not all students have experienced the support and prayers of their professors, but I have. And I feel I will continue to feel their influence long after I have left this place.

The end result of Union is a sense of completion. Four years is a great investment of time and money. It is also a sense of accomplishment and preparedness. Yes, the real world scares me like nothing I have ever faced before, but I feel that my education and life-experiences within and without the Union "bubble" have benefited me beyond any preparation for which I could have hoped. We lovingly call the Union campus and family a "bubble", and it is. On campus students are somewhat protected by the rules and regulations imposed at Union. However, growth is an individual thing, and despite the strict rules and supposed limitations, I have grown. To me, growth is the ability to make choices without blaming anyone but yourself for the consequences. It is also a little thing called maturity. In my opinion and in my experience, maturity is something to be paid for dearly. The first test I ever failed in my life was here at Union, and yes, I was angry and hurt and I cried. However, as I look back, I see that I have not remained in despair, rather, my

experience has pushed me onward to greater and better things, like a diploma.

Sometimes it seems ridiculous to me that all I will tangibly have received for my four years at Union is a decorated piece of paper with my name on it. It feels a bit like kindergarten, but with less recitation, and the gowns are more expensive. Nevertheless, I feel that when May is here and the diploma is shining in my hot little hand, I will sense the same feeling of accomplishment and readiness as my friends who have graduated in the years before.

As with everything in our lives, God uses Union to guide us. In my life, my learning at Union has reinforced my calling, but for some God changes us drastically. The beauty of this uncertainty is that each of us may not be sure of what we are supposed to be doing here, but we know that we are supposed to be a part of the Union family.

I have calmed a great deal since I first set foot on Union's campus, and I believe this comes with a change in perspective. My Freshman year was all about getting to know people, and I did. That year has resulted in some of the finest friendships I will ever experience. My Sophomore year was more solid and had more direction concerning my major; I was getting older. I got my first real taste of my chosen profession my Junior year. This my last and final year at Union has provided me with a perspective that is torn between memory and aspiration. I can not wait to get my feet wet, but I really would like to have a twelve o'clock class every once in a while. I know that when I begin work, I will not have that luxury any longer. I will miss being in college, but it is time to move on. The end result of Union is the ability to leave the nest with confidence, either real or imagined, but with confidence nonetheless that these years have not been wasted, and that these years have taught us how to prepare ourselves.





➔ "For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:11



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